

PEACE REIGNS ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Firemen Guests at Rotary Banquet

Cameron firemen were praising Rotary hospitality in Cameron today following a banquet tendered the members of the department and their chief, Monta Thomas by the Cameron Rotary Club on Wednesday night in the dining room of the Cato Cafe.

Mose G. Cox delivered the address praising the Cameron firemen for their long record of service to the city and Emory B. Camp, district attorney, responded to the address. Dr. Clifford Swift, president of the Cameron Rotary Club, was toastmaster and introduced the speakers. The Rotary Club plans to make the banquet an annual tribute to the firemen.

The following address was delivered by Mr. Cox in praise of the department:

The Cameron Rotary Club is proud to show its esteem and high regard

for our Fire Chief, Monta Thomas, and other members of the Cameron Volunteer Fire Department, as brave and unselfish a set of men as one can find anywhere; yet whose sacrificial services, until this good hour, seem to have been taken as a matter of course. We venture the assertion that hardly one in 100 of our citizens have ever taken time to consider just what sacrifices members of our Volunteer Fire Department are constantly called upon to make for our sakes, and the value of their services to the community and to each and every individual living here.

Each of us owes to them a great and lasting debt of gratitude and appreciation and we are glad tonight to honor them, and we hope to bring to the attention of our entire citizenship some idea as to the price our firemen pay in order that we

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Kidnappers Rob Cameron Resident

Tom Smith, resident of Cameron was kidnapped on the streets of the city here last Friday morning by two young men driving a Ford V-8 and robbed of twenty dollars in cash which he said he had obtained through the sale of a milch cow.

According to his story the young men drove up to a curb and spoke to him calling him by name as if they knew him. They said they had purchased some property in the Green addition and wanted him to show them the location of the property. He got in their automobile and was

driven swiftly out of the city down the river highway. When he protested, Smith said one of the men covered him with a gun. They drove to Milano and to Hearne and turned south into the Mumford country where Smith was released by the kidnappers and set free in a cotton field. He made his way to the highway, hailed a truck which took him to Corsicana and brought him back to Cameron that afternoon when he reported his experience to local officers.

SWIFT THEATRES YEAR'S BEST HOSTS

Stanley Swift of the Swift Theatres is Cameron's best host of the year and is closing 1938 with a bang-up program for the holidays.

Starting today theatre patrons will see Freddie Bartholemew and Judy Garland in "Listen Darling." The Christmas Eve program Saturday night, December 24, is a smashing comedy featuring Ted Prouty and Spring Byington in "Down on the Farm." The preview which is the

midnight show features Glenda Farrell and Barton MacLane in "Torchy Gets Her Man."

The Christmas Day picture which opens at the Cameron is "Cowboy and the Lady" with Gary Cooper and Merle Oberon while on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 27 and 28 is "Swing Sister Swing," a musical. Shirley Temple climaxes the week's program in "Just Around the Corner" on Thursday and Friday, December

"ME WORRY?"



"Some folks might think that the job is too big just because some 682 children in Milam county wrote me letters requesting gifts but I will fill their stockings on Christmas Eve

just as I have done throughout the ages. Yes, Sir, this is Santa Claus speaking and no job is too big and no night too cold for me to turn back from spreading cheer among my millions of friends all over the world."

A PRAYER

Infinite God, look down tonight
On three boys in a car.
They're traveling east toward the
rising sun,
They're traveling fast and far.

They have no need of me, dear God,
Nor think of their need of Thee,
For they are young and unafraid
And life is full and free.

Ride with them through the day,
dear God;
Stay close when the sun is low.
For only with Thee beside them, God;
Could I ever have let them go.

29 and 30. On the last day of the month Allen Jenkins and Margaret Lindsay bring to the screen the "Heart of the North." The midnight preview which begins at 11 p. m. brings the patrons both Frankenstein and Dracula.

R. W. HESTER NEW WATER CO MANAGER

R. W. Hester of Goldthwaite has been named manager for the Community Public Service Company in Cameron and has begun his services with the water company.

W. J. Watson who for a number of years has been manager of the company, tendered his resignation several weeks ago because of ill health and will spend the next few months recuperating. The people of Cameron will remember Mr. Hester who spent several weeks here during the summer of 1938. With him was Mrs. Hester also an employee of the company who is now in Cameron to make her home also. They have been with the Community Public Service Company for a number of years and have many friends in Cameron who will be happy to know that they are to become citizens of the friendly city.

Mrs. Gladys Watson who has been associated with the office here for several years will continue for the present in the office.

Presbyterian School At Itasca Shares In Proceeds of Army-Navy Game

Judge and Mrs. Graham Gillis have received a letter from N. R. Hawkins, president of the Southwestern Presbyterian Home and School for Orphans at Itasca stating that the school is in receipt of a check for \$100 from the Army Athletic Association at United States Military Academy at West Point, New York.

The check was sent to the school by Cadet W. G. Gillis, son of Judge and Mrs. Gillis, playing center for the Army football team this year. The Board of Athletics at West Point gave a part of the proceeds from the Army-Navy game to charitable and relief organizations. In recognition of cadets who took part in the game each was given the privilege of designating a gift and Gillis gave the amount to the Presbyterian school at Itasca.

Rain began falling in Cameron at 6 p. m. today.

Billy Gillis Flies Home for Christmas

Billy Gillis, student at West Point Military College, will land at Randolph Field in San Antonio Monday afternoon where he will be met by his parents, Judge and Mrs. Graham Gillis and will come to Cameron by automobile where he will spend a portion of his holiday vacation. It will be the first time he has visited away from the college.

During his high school days in Cameron Gillis was a star football player and a high ranking student. At Shriner Institute, he continued his record as a student and also played football. When he received his appointment to West Point, he made rapid progress both as a student and as a football player and was one of the stars of the recent Army Navy game. He plays center for the Army.

682 Letters to Santa Claus in This Issue

Letters to Santa Claus in the number of 682 are printed in this edition of the Cameron Herald. This is the largest number of letters to Santa Claus ever published in one edition of a newspaper in Cameron. Such co-operation makes the local newspaper the most widely read publication in the world.

MIDNIGHT CHRISTMAS SERVICE DEC. 24TH

Midnight services at All Saints Episcopal Church will be held at 11:30 p. m. on Saturday night, Dec. 24. This service is held each year at the Episcopal Church with Rev. J. P. Love, Rector.

Rev. A. J. McCary, pastor of the First Methodist Church, will deliver the sermon. Music and singing will be led by the choir from the First Christian Church of which Rev. Maurice Grove is pastor. The public is cordially invited to attend this service. In extending the invitation, Rev. Love said, "Come and worship and welcome the birthday of the Babe of Bethlehem."

CITY PLANS QUIET DAY

Cameron was quiet and peaceful on the eve of Christmas as families were united for the celebration, students returning home from college and old friends and former residents of the city arriving almost hourly to complete the picture of happiness as the people prepared to make the most of the joys of the occasion.

Many social programs were being held over to follow Christmas and churches had completed their pre-Christmas day festivities. Christmas Day occurring on Sunday this year, made it convenient for a number of the churches to arrange special programs for their Sunday worship but on the whole the observance of Christmas will be marked by family celebrations in the quiet and harmonious spirit the occasion brings.

Among the business men there was a feeling that in the new year conditions would be altered only slightly from the previous year, taking into consideration a restricted income from major farm crops. Generally there was a good spirit and considerable optimism as the new year approached. Business men felt some relief that 1938, one of the poor years, would soon be relegated to the calendar of oblivion with all other unpleasant memories.

During the year Cameron's progress was negligible, a few severe losses being sustained in the decimation of industry with employment showing little headway. An encouraging note was the leaden skies forecasting rain which is a present need throughout the farm belt. There was no prospect of a white Christmas and little indications that rainfall would be anything but light.

Moving toward the coming new year there was considerable evidence of preparation and many substantial indications have resulted from plans being made to make Cameron a better city in 1939.

Woman Bequeaths Most Of \$3000 to Red Cross And Salvation Army

The will of Mrs. Mary Jones admitted to probate on Monday revealed some interesting and unusual facts. Mrs. Jones was a resident of Rockdale and died at her home there on December 3, at the age of 86 years.

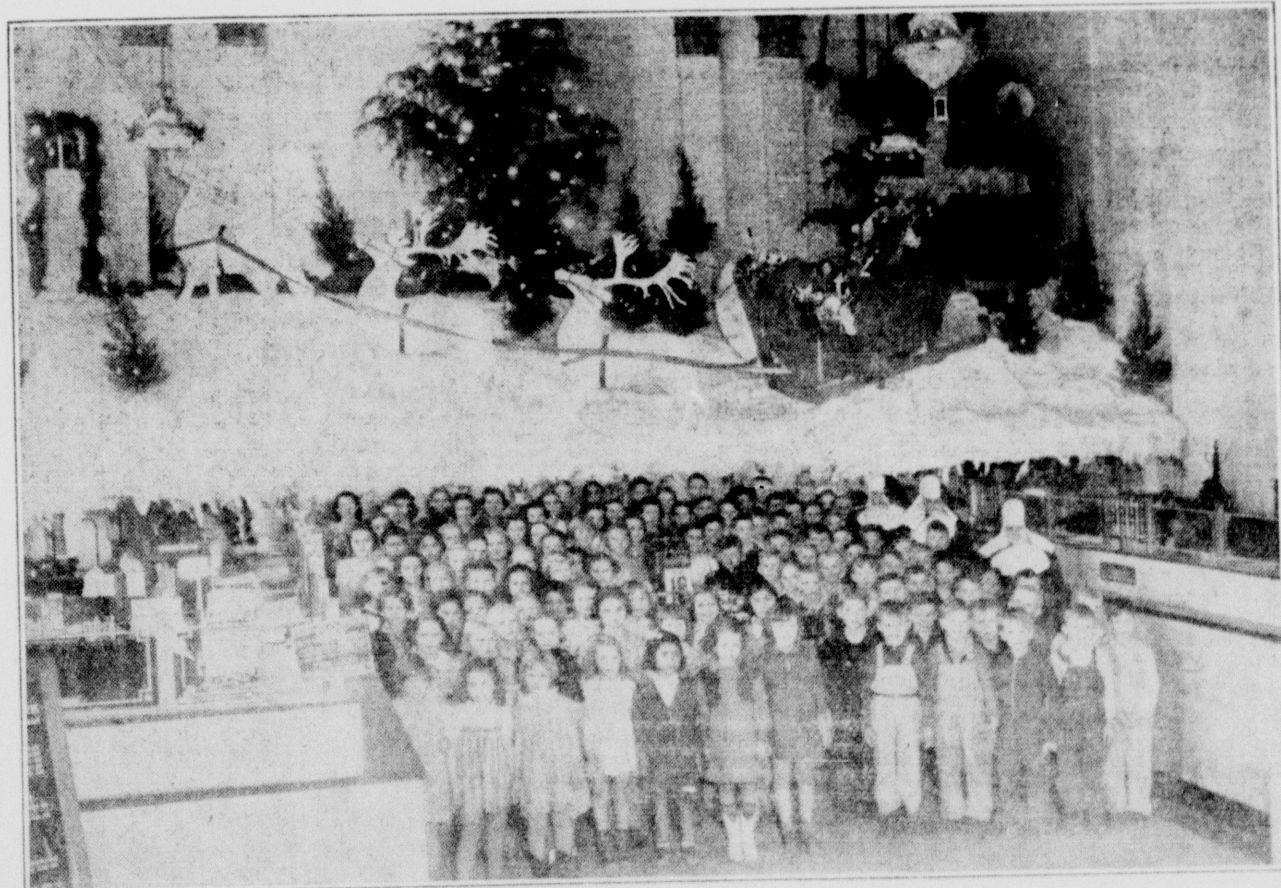
Out of an estate valued at approximately \$3,000, Mrs. Jones made the following bequests in her will: Wiley Mitcham, \$100, Mrs. Janie Webb, \$100, Heirs of F. M. Mitcham, \$50, Minnie Leedy, \$50, Heirs of Jessie Mitcham, \$100, Heirs of John E. Mitcham, \$1 each, Mrs. J. E. Cherry, \$50, and the balance of the estate to be equally divided between the Red Cross and the Salvation Army. The household furniture, Mrs. Jones left to Janie Webb, Verdie Cryer and Elsie Hertenburger. Frank Hertenburger has been appointed Executor.

At Baptist Church

Mr. Erck, a junior student in Trinity University, Waxahachie will speak at the First Baptist Church here Sunday morning, December 25. He is majoring in speech at Trinity and will read a Christmas Story. Mr. Erck is attracting considerable attention as a result of parts in plays given at the University. He is the son of Mrs. W. G. Erck of 321 North Travis.

CHARM OF CHRISTMAS

The chief charm of Christmas is its simplicity. It is a festival that appeals to everyone, because everyone can understand it. A genuine fellowship pervades our common life—a fellowship whose source is our common share in the gift of the world's greatest Life which was given to the whole world.



During recent weeks many delegations of school children with their teachers have visited Citizens National Bank to see Santa Claus and decorations arranged for their entertainment by Mr. Oxsheer Smith,

president of the bank. In this picture are the pupils of St. Anthony's Catholic School in Cameron photographed by Charles Brady of the B and B Studio as a special courtesy to the school. In the background

can be seen the elaborate decorations arranged for the bank as its annual contribution to the spirit of the season. Pupils of St. Anthony and their teachers were happy to accept this invitation to visit the bank and to be photographed.

Personal Mention

U. E. Hilliard and Miss Mildred Seay of Rosebud were united in marriage on Friday morning, Dec. 16, at 9:30 o'clock by Rev. A. J. McCary, pastor of the First Methodist Church, the ceremony being performed at the church. Mr. Hilliard is a prominent young farmer of the Rosebud section where the couple will make their home.

Rogers Marden McCary and Roy Baskin, Jr., students at Medical University in Galveston are expected home on Friday to spend the holidays with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. J. McCary and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baskin.

Rev. J. P. Sparks of Milano was a Cameron visitor on Saturday.

Engineer C. V. Thames of Hearne made a business visit to Cameron on Friday.

Mrs. Tom Brawley, a former citizen of Milam county, was buried at Sharp on last Friday.

Mrs. Will Stigall of San Gabriel was a Cameron visitor on last Thursday.

Among those from Cameron to attend the football game at Temple on Saturday were Coach L. C. Wood and Dr. Leland Denson.

A. L. Harper of Belmena was a recent Cameron visitor.

Allen Varner and Lyd Cunningham of Gause made a recent visit to Cameron.

W. B. Summers of Sandy Creek was a recent Cameron visitor.

Ben Maulden of Buckholts was a Cameron visitor on Saturday.

T. V. Adams and daughter, Miss Jean Adams made a visit to Cameron on Tuesday.

E. A. Camp mayor of Rockdale was a Cameron visitor on Monday.

Bert Williams who is a patient in the State Hospital at Austin is reported to be in a critical condition.

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On Sunday night at 7:30, a special service in song will be presented by the choir of the Christian church. The entire Christmas Story will be told in song. Everyone cordially invited to spend this worship hour with us.

Mrs. Jack Montgomery and two children of Oklahoma City, will be a guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Green. Mr. Montgomery will be here for Christmas day also.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mackensen and baby, of Baton Rouge, La., are guests of her mother, Mrs. Katie Robbins. While here Mr. and Mrs. Mackensen will attend a convention in Richmond, Va., and will return to their home by returning to Cameron and getting their young son who will remain with Mrs. Robbins while they are in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Slocumb, Mr. and Mrs. Casey Slocumb, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Slocumb and family, all of Houston will spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Slocumb.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fanning of Cameron attended a Christmas program presented at Mary Hardin-Baylor College on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barrett of Yarrington entertained 36 guests in the home of Mrs. Della Barrett on last Wednesday night with a forty-two party. The home was attractive and the Christmas color scheme was carried out in the table accessories. After a number of games it was found that score for high lady went to Mrs. Joe Ford, who was presented with an attractive vase and candle holder set. Score for high man went to Herbert Colburn who received as a prize a cigarette tray. Miss Otelia Wilkerson received a vase for low score and Smith Barrett was presented with an ash tray as low man. The hostess served a delicious refreshment plate of date loaf cake and fruit salad with coffee.

The Burlington Home Demonstration Club members entertained their husbands with a Christmas party on December 17, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Litzman. Progressive 42 was played for diversion. Prize for high lady was won by Mrs. Otto Shuetze and Bob Krause won high for the men. Low went to Mrs. Paul Dillard. Mrs. Herman Dorner and Mrs. Litzman served the guests with a very attractive plate of sandwiches-masquerade, potato chips,

pickles and olives, doughnuts, peaches, whipped cream and cherries, fruit cake, hot chocolate and coffee. Plate favors were tiny baskets made of candy tied up in red and blue cellophane. A very pretty Christmas tree was the center of attraction on which each guest had placed a gift for someone else. Each man was presented with a sock of fruit and candy. Home made candy was then passed around to the guests. Those present for this occasion were: Messrs and Mesdames Charlie Litzman, Herman Dorner, Ed McAtee, Jerome McAtee, Bill Faulkner, Paul Dillon, Chester Rogers, Ben Kleypas, Otto Shuetze, Bob Krause, Fred Hodges, Bill McSherry and Mrs. John McAtee and Mrs. L. A. Litzman. At the conclusion of the evening guests bade each other good night and a merry Christmas.

Cora, although used as an individual name, is really a short form of Corinna, of Greek origin, meaning "a maiden." Corinna was a noted Greek lyric poetess who five times scored over the great Pindar in poetry contests. The usual modern form of the name is Corinne, which happens also to be the name of a kind of humming bird.

Hounds Long Favored

There have been hounds in America since the time of the Spaniard, De Soto, when they often were used to hunt Indians instead of game. George Washington helped establish the breed by importing them from England. He was later given several French hounds. Their blood strains, too, helped make the present American foxhound.

Derivation of Word America

The word America is derived from the name of the Italian explorer, Amerigo Vespucci. It was first proposed by Waldseemuller, a teacher of geography in the college of St. Die, in the treatise called "Cosmographie," published in 1507.

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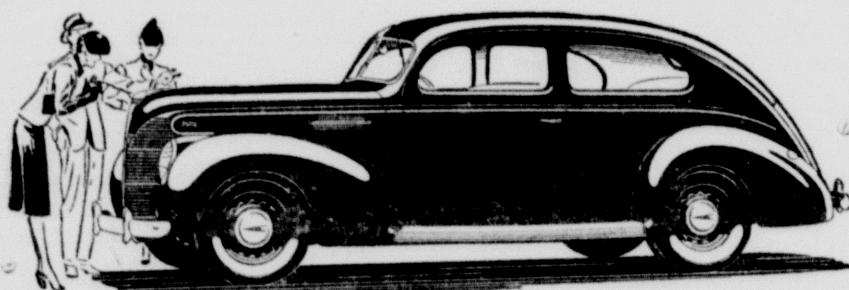
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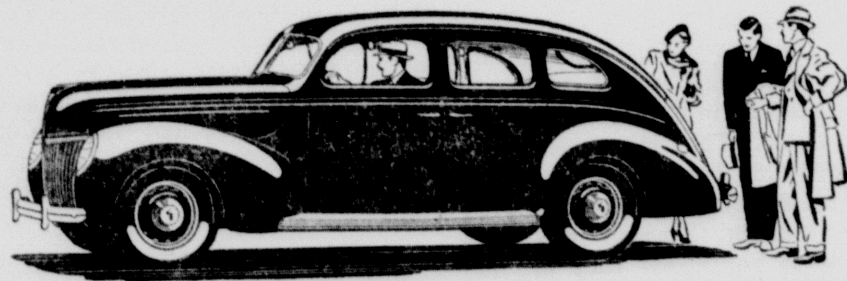
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Christmas

By REV. O. C. ACREY

Pastor First Presbyterian Church, Cameron, Texas

"Where is He that is born King of The Jews." The question was asked by the Wise Men from the East. It is fraught with great potent realization. It was wisdom that asked "Where is He that is born KING? A Christmas story cannot be told without comment of the importance of this wisdom.

All the world loves a King. People of the world never tire of the fascination attached to the crowning of a King. It was front page news of the highest calibre when Edward was crowned King of Great Britain. The Coronation drew millions. People sat at 3 o'clock in the morning to hear the epochal event broadcast over the International hookup.

Christmas time gives us a sense of our kinship to Royalty. We are brought once more to look upon our King. We are the people of a Sovereign. Whether we be of the Intelligencia or the simple, we all pay homage to our King at this season of the year. Wise man or simple shepherd, we gaze in admiration at our Sovereign.

The world of Christendom exalts Him. God hath highly exalted Him and gave him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things in earth and things under the earth and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is LORD.

A sovereign Kind demands. Christ makes demands on our consciences. He commands more explicit obedience than Solomon or Moses. He demanded that men lay down their lives for Him. Any King demands that of his subjects. This is the fashion of Kings. "He that loseth his life for my sake—"

A sovereign demands compliance with his laws. Jesus as King demands that of his followers. "Ye are my friends if ye do whatever I command you." Only a monarch speaks with tones so preemptory.

He firmly asserted his Kingship. In answer to Pilates question "Art thou the King of the Jews," Jesus replied "I am."

Jesus still claims to be King. But now as of old, men are enraged when asked to acknowledge Him as their King. They are glad to acknowledge him in other ways. His teachings are extolled by all who have minds capable of appreciation high and noble thoughts. As an ethical guide, he is accepted among the best. The Moral precepts of his discourse on the Mount are eulogized by great men in many schools of thought. His Golden rule is accepted by common consent in the minds and hearts of men. Great multitudes are ready to honor him, as a teacher, poet, philosopher, idealist, reformer, etc., but they hesitate to accept Him, when asked to crown Him King of their lives. Yet it is at this point that he is most insistent and inexorable. It is this point that was poignant in the question of the Wise Men. It is this point that is superlative at Christmas time. The Christmas story has long been told with sentiment. It has been pictured in song, in poetry, in pageantry, and in anthem. The

world loves a little babe. But simple lullabies, stories, poems and pagentry may lull us into the realm of the aesthetic and lose for us the real significance of Christmas. THAT BABE IN THE MANGER WAS A KING. THAT BABE OF BETHLEHEM WAS LORD OF ALL. THAT CHILD OF MARY AND JOSEPH WAS A SOVEREIGN.

As you come to this sacred season to adore him as a babe and to lose yourself in rapture of song and merriment, remember once more with conviction this solemn thought: Jesus was born KING.

If you would honor Jesus this Christmas, then honor him as your KING. Yield to him your reason, your heart and conscience. Render him obedience and life. That is the due reverence every King should have.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services at the Presbyterian church will begin promptly at 10:45 o'clock Christmas morning and will be dismissed at 11:30 in order that the congregation might return to their homes for family reunions and Christmas dinners.

Sunday School will begin at 9:45 and will close fifteen minutes early in order to proceed with the morning services. By special arrangement of officers and members of the church, there will be no services Sunday night as it is the desire of the church that members should enjoy the evening with their families and friends.

The morning services will feature besides an appropriate Christmas sermon, special music, duets, solos and the singing of many anthems and carols.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Beginning with last Sunday and running through the week the Methodist Church has been a scene of Christmas activity with Christmas trees and parties given by the various departments and classes and at the same time both committees and individuals are giving every effort to bring joy and gladness to many who are not identified in the church school. However we may spend the other holidays of the season Sunday should be given to worship and this should mean a large attendance at church school and the worship services. Sunday morning the Pastor will bring a message on the Significance of Christmas. The evening worship hour will be dedicated to the young people of the church and to our college students who are home for the holidays. Both services will be featured by Christmas carols rendered by the senior and junior choirs under direction of Mrs. A. J. Triggs.

We wish to express our thanks to all of those who have contributed to our Methodist Home (our orphans at Waco) but regret to say that so far the offering is only one half the amount contributed last year. Surely the need of these more than four hundred orphan children will appeal to many more hearts and swell the institution. The Methodist Church extends Christmas greeting to the other churches and peoples of our city and a warm welcome to all visitors who come our way.

A. J. McCary, Minister.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES.

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 25th.

The Golden Text is: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined" (Isaiah 9:2.)

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me" (John 14:1.)

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scrip-

"Peace on Earth"

By MAURICE GROVE

Pastor First Christian Church, Cameron, Texas

Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men. is the message of Christ, ages ago. Probably not in the history of the world, has there been a time when this message has been so universal among all followers of Jesus Christ. As nations stand today armed to the utmost, they represent a pack of savage animals, with teeth showing, waiting anxiously for some reason to attack. In the midst of this world turmoil, how thankful we should be, that in our country at this season of the year, the thoughts of all people are turned toward him whose birth we celebrate. Certainly we have ample cause for singing, "Glory

to God in the Highest," but we also have a good reason for praying, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Among Mankind." We pause in this season to honor this Saviour of the world. How can we most honor him? Let us not forget that, in providing food for the hungry, drink for the thirsty, clothing for the naked, shelter for the homeless, love for the seemingly friendless service is being rendered unto me." This is the true Spirit of helping those whom he seeks to save. He is still saying, "In as much as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me." This is the true Spirit of Christmas.

tures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Jesus teaching and practice of Truth involved such a sacrifice as makes us admit its Principle to be Love" (page 26.)

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Cameron schools turned out Thursday afternoon for the Holidays, and will be taken up Monday morning, January 2, 1939, according to Supt. E. A. Perrin. Many of the teachers will take advantage of the holidays to return to their home for a visit.

Miss Carolyn Cheeves, student at State will spend the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. S. W. Cheeves.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bassett Watson of Denison, are here on a visit during the holidays, guests of his parents, Judge and Mrs. John Watson.

Miss Viola Thomas, student at State University, will arrive this week to spend the Yuletide here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Rush A. Thomas.

Gus Evans, Jr., student in the Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, Tennessee, arrived home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Evans, Sr., of Cameron. Gus is one of the ranking students of this college and has many friends here who congratulate him upon his fine work. He plans to be here until January 3rd.

Mrs. Lena Baskin and father, W. H. Triggs, leave Friday for Corpus Christi where they will visit Mrs. Baskin's children, Mr. and Mrs. William Howard Baskin and Mr. and Mrs. Macon Banner for the holidays.



To Our Friends and Patrons

As we close the year 1938 we count our success in terms of Good Will and Friendship. It was our privilege to serve many and we wish to thank all who patronized us to make the year a busy one.

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NEW OUTLOOK

By Gregg Alexander

"A glorious New Year's day, isn't it?" the young man asked.

Molly aroused herself. She had noticed this attractive young man on the boat, of course. Molly had avoided him, however. If she hadn't been so absorbed with her own gloomy thoughts he wouldn't have gotten near enough to speak.

"Yes, it is," she replied coldly. But as she looked up into his merry face, her own sad countenance thawed.

"Gee, but you are swell looking when you smile," he blurted out. "I've been wondering how you'd look with a smile on that pretty face."

Molly couldn't help but laugh. He sounded like a child. Then she grew sober.

"If you knew what makes me sad: my eyesight going, my fiance de-

A NEW YEAR STORY

iding he didn't want a blind wife," she started. But Jack stopped her.

"Start the New Year thinking of what you have, not pitying yourself. You have money to travel."

"Surely. Money!" Molly agreed disgustedly.

"More than ordinary good looks. Education, I should judge. A fair amount of charm. I can't judge that accurately, for you've kept it shut off." His tone was so droll that Molly had to laugh.

"Well, you do paint rather a strong picture, Mr. Pollyanna. You have your fair share of charm and good looks too," she responded, with a provocative smile.

"Stop it, stop it," Jack pleaded in mock alarm. "Turn it off, turn off the charm. I'm too susceptible."

"All right. Since you had the courage to tackle the glummiest girl on board ship, maybe I'd better try making myself agreeable." Molly was still smiling, but there was a look of determination on her face.

"Sure thing. Be a good sport. Take life as it comes."

A trace of bitterness returned to Molly's tone as she said: "It's easy for you to talk, with health and good looks and everything to make life easy."

Jack laughed. "Lots you know about it. They told me five months ago I had six months to live. But I'm showing them they're mistaken. Aren't your eyes better?"

Molly looked at him in astonishment: "You mean it, really? And you so full of fun all the time? Oh, my eyes, you say. Yes, they really are better."

"I was sure of it. Well, I'm off to see the mate. His wife wants him to give up the sea and settle down on land. The idea is driving him nuts. So long, I'll be seeing you. Good luck, and Happy New Year!"

It's Open Season
For Resolutions;
Made Yours Yet?

CHICAGO.—It's again time for New Year's resolutions and psychologists have something to say about it.

"Humbug," is the comment of Dr. Robert N. McMurray, executive secretary of the Chicago Psychological corporation.

"He's wrong," answers Dr. George W. Crane, noted psychologist with Northwestern university.

Although most scientists admit the average resolution lives no longer than a May fly, they claim this old American habit does have merit. Dr. McMurray sees no more logic in using the first day of January for making resolutions than in the old southern custom of shooting off fireworks at Christmas, but he admits that people most meticulous about their obligations are more likely to keep New Year's promises.

"A good resolution," he says, "becomes a compromise solution to the conscience conflict. The man who makes one says to himself, 'I will make a resolution not to do this or that which I should not during the forthcoming year.' Although it's not the same as refraining from such actions, it does have some value in quieting the conscience's reproaches."

But Dr. Crane is more hopeful. "It is wise to make resolutions," he says, "since the first step in progress of any sort consists of formulating the plans."

For those without sins to expiate, he suggests the following ideas:

"Pay a sincere compliment to your wife or husband, your children or neighbors."

"Don't wait for death to tear the selfishness from your eyes, after which, in remorse, you heap extra bouquets on the coffin."

"Resolve now to pay at least three sincere compliments every day in 1939."

FESTIVAL SERVICES

Christmas Eve, December 24th.

Christmas program by the Sunday School, English, 7:00 o'clock p. m.

Christmas Day, Dec. 25th

Sunday School, English, 9:00 a. m. Festival Service and Holy Communion in German, 10:00 a. m.

New Year's Eve, Dec. 31st. English Worship Hour and Holy Communion at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

Please announce for Communion.

Luther League Watch Service; after the Worship Hour. Social gathering, with games and entertainment; ending with Midnight Devotion and tolling of the church bell.

All Leaguers and young folks invited.

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CHRISTMAS

There's CHRISTMAS in the air! Christmas shopping! Christmas programs on the radio! Christmas programs in the schools! Christmas programs in the churches! Christmas preparations in the homes! Christmas advertising in the papers and by the business world! WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT, ANYWAY?

Surely, you know! It's the celebration of the Birth of Christ Jesus, our Saviour! It's a Birthday Party! And what a party! All around the world the preparations are going on; in every country in the world—people will honor the CHRIST-CHILD at Christmas. And if we rejoice because HE was born, if HE is born anew in our hearts, then it will indeed be a truly blessed, merry and joyous day! Yes, then it will be in our life every day of the year.

"Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people: For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." Therefore "GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN." This is Christmas!

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Old Letter Reveals
Early Hardships
Of Southern
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Here is published for the first time an old letter the property of B. F. Wiese of Jones Prairie. The original of this letter was brought to the Herald office some time ago and a copy of it made. Mr. May to whom the letter is addressed is a relative of Mrs. Wiese:

Crawford Ala this the 23 Jan 1830
Mr. T. B. May
Dear Brother.

I take my pencil in hand to write you a few lines to inform you that I received your type this last week.

I was very much pleased to see your likeness one more time.

It was gratifying to me but I thought that you might have sent a few words with it to have let me know how you were getting along and about your crop you made this last year and whether Thomas Bryant had got there or not, I am very anxious to know.

Brother we are having very good health at present hoping these few lines will reach you in due time and find you in the best of health and your family.

I haven't any news to write that would interest you, I made a very good crop this last year, my crop of cotton brought me about \$600.00, or something over, I made about 100 bushels of corn 150 bushels of potatoes and a good many peas.

I think that will do pretty well for one hand, a cripple at that, I hired about \$43.00, worth of work

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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

done but if I had such land as you as such as you say you have I would some day have a fortune.

My land is poor and I have to work so hard to make a living I have been behind with land ever since I got home out of war 1812.

But now I am out of debt and got something to live on I am going to run two plows this year if I live and have good luck to make one more crop here and fix my place for sale

and sell out an go where the land is better.

I want to go where you are if I can get Annah reconciled to go. If I can will go down the country about 26 miles from where I now am and make a purchase. I reckon there is a tract of land there of 640 acres for sale that will make they say a bale of cotton to the acre but it is not worthwhile for me say what I will do for I dont know how long I will

live for the good book says for us to obey God and his laws his commandments everything else be added to us. Brother I must bring my letter to a close by asking you to remember me in your prayers to God for the welfare of my soul in a coming day if we shall not meet no more on earth lets try to meet in heaven.

Yours Eff
James May.

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Sincere Greetings

I am happy to acknowledge a deep feeling of obligation to my friends and patrons who made 1938 successful for my business.

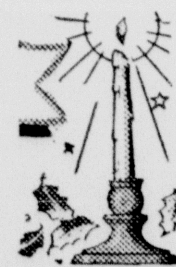
There is no source of happiness at Christmas Time more appealing than the remembrance of those who had a part in making the year enjoyable and successful.

It is with a peculiar feeling of tenderness that I send Greetings at this Season and to wish for each one a Merry Christmas. In the New Year may you be able to count your blessings in large numbers.

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WANTED—A farm with land enough for a two or three team crop. Call or write R. M. Kennedy. **4tc**

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FOR SALE—Cottage on large corner lot on Highway 77, near schools and hospital. Lora L. Andrews, 5820 Edison Court, Dallas, Texas. **3tc**

FOR RENT—Spacious five room house. Newly decorated and painted. Convenient location close to business district and schools. For further information call Mrs. George Mayo Newton. Telephone 480. **1tc**

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At Burlington Hall, Monday night, December 26th. Music by The Texas Blue Bonnet Boys. Admission 40c, ladies free.

FOR SALE—One hundred bushels of yellow corn. See John B. Dodson, Rt. 1, Cameron, Texas. **1tp**

FOR SALE—Pair good work mules. Will take hogs or cattle part payment. Frank J. Pfarrdrescher, Rt. 1, Cameron. **3tp**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant said petition alleging: The statutory grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this 3rd day of December A. D. 1938.

(Seal) **PENN WOLF,**
Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas. **34-4t**

NEWS FROM BUCKHOLTS

Mrs. C. F. Everett of Dime Box came up Saturday to be at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Vance Hopkins, who had been ill for some time.

Among those shopping in Temple Saturday were Mrs. A. R. Walschak and daughters, Misses Nadine and Genevive, Mrs. E. E. Phillips and daughter, Miss Janie, Mrs. J. R. Slovacek, Marvin Slovacek and Mrs. E. B. Hyer.

Mrs. W. P. Elliott was called to Belton early Thursday morning on account of the illness of a daughter, Miss Mattie Baucom a senior in Mary Hardin-Baylor College. Mrs. Elliott returned to Buckholts Thursday night. Miss Mattie Baucom was taken to her home in Milford Friday. Her friends here wish for her a speedy recovery and that she will soon be able to resume her study in college.

Mrs. Elliott spent the week end in Milford.

Mesdames J. D. Lewis and J. A. Walschak and Miss Dorothy Jean Lewis shopped in Waco Saturday.

Tom Machann was a business visitor in Caldwell the early part of this week.

V. A. Kubecka was a Rosebud visitor Monday.

Mrs. T. I. Hill and daughter, Miss Ivy Lee of Goose Creek visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. Buford McMillion, Mrs. Tal Wood and Miss Lydia Tomascik shopped in Waco Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Matyastik and small son were week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kamenicky.

Messrs Harry and Jamie Clark of San Gabriel and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tulley and daughter, Miss Agnes of Waco attended the funeral of J. C. Mauldin Friday.

Mrs. Frank Kohut, Misses Lydia, Tillie, Tricie and Rosa Tomascik attended a shower honoring Miss

Stacy Jazek at the home in Seaton on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Cecil Criswell entertained with four tables of bridge Friday. Her home looked quite festive with its Christmas decorations. Mrs. Earl Burke won high score, second high went to Mrs. Clifton Jenness. A salad plate, cake and coffee were served.

Joseph Clayton Mauldin died in Buckholts in the home of his nephew in law and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Williams on Dec. 15, 1938, at 8 p. m. after an illness of only six days. Mr. Mauldin was born in Pontotoc County, Miss., on May 18, 1858, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Mauldin. He came to Texas in 1881, shortly after which he began work as engineer for the Santa Fe Railroad, and continued in the service until injured in a train wreck that left him a cripple but not entirely disabled. He then bought a farm in the Bryant Station community where he lived until about three years ago when on account of illness he came to stay in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Williams and that he might have their care, and with exception of a few months, lived with them until his death. "Uncle Joe" had many friends, had a jovial, happy disposition. Surviving him are two brothers, B. R. Mauldin of Buckholts and Joe Mauldin of Pontotoc County, Miss., nieces and nephews, Mrs. Grover Williams and Jack Mauldin of Buckholts, Mrs. G. N. Talley of Waco, Mrs. Neil Pelcher of San Francisco Calif., Mrs. Clyde Chapman Brann and Carlyle Mauldin all of Santa Barbara, Calif., greatnieces and nephews Mrs. Harvie Yoe of Cameron, Miss Johnnie Williams and Elma Rita Mauldin of Buckholts, Howard L. Lewis of Houston, Misses Tommy Dell Chapman and Lillian Mauldin and Mrs. Bob Robertson of Santa

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Thursday and Friday
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NEWS FROM JONES PRAIRIE

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Roden had as guests Sunday, Mrs. J. A. Ashabraner and family and Miss Pearlle of Killeen, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Roden and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Roden and daughters, Mrs. J. A. Brand, Mrs. Jeff Miller and Mrs. Homer Crook and children.

Miss Ruby Roden of Cross Roads spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Roden.

Joyce Black spent Sunday night with Virginia Black.

Mary Joyce Roden spent Sunday night with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Roden.

Mrs. T. B. Stidham and daughter, Ila Jean were shopping in Cameron Friday.

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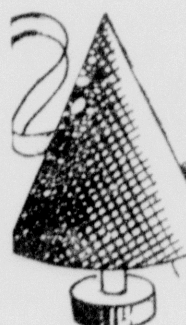
Sincere Greeting

In extending to one and all my sincere greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I recall with much appreciation the patronage you gave my gin during 1938.

We maintain the best possible service to cotton farmers and we are looking forward to serving you again in 1939. I wish for you and yours ever good thing in life during the coming year.

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During 1938 I opened my modern cafe in Camer and I am greatly pleased with the patronage that has been accorded me and at Christmas time I wish to remember with especial gratitude all of my friends and patrons.

During the holidays you will find this cafe affording a real holiday menu and we want you to be our guest during this season assuring you that you will find a genuine welcome at all times.

Make your reservations early with our private dining rooms if you plan to take your meals away from home during the holidays.

Mrs. Cato's Cafe

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM CORINTH SCHOOL.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 6 years old. This is my first year to go to school. Please bring me a doll, a pair of gloves, a red ball, a little dresser, fruit, candy and nuts. Bring my mother a new dress.

Your friend,
Laverne Lewis.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 9 years old. Please bring me a bicycle, a black striped dress and bring my mother a wrist watch. My little sister wants a doll, nuts, fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Arlene Lewis.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a pretty doll, little dresser, apples and oranges, that will be all for us. I have a little sister, her name is Mary Lorena, bring her a baby doll, fire-crackers and candy. Don't forget mother and dad.

Your little friend,
Dorothy Pascal.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll, a doll buggy, a set of dishes, a little table, apples, oranges, nuts and candy. I am 6 years old and please come to see me.

Your friend,
Ina Bell King.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a horse and saddle, fireworks, fruit, nuts and candy. Santa bring my mother a wrist watch and Dad a pair of gloves. Don't forget the other boys and girls. I am ten years old and in the fourth grade. I try to make good grades.

Your pal,
Charles Bishop.

Dear Santa Claus:

Don't forget me this year. I want a bicycle, fruit, nuts and candy. Remember all my friends and teacher.

Your friend,
Glyn Ray Lewis.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the first grade, please bring me a truck, a wagon, a ball, nuts fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Paul Lewis Shegrut.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please come to see me this year. I am a little girl in the first grade. Bring me anything you want too. I would like to have a new dress. Don't forget my mama and papa and friends. I like my teacher and I like to go to school.

Your friend,
Betty Jane Baskin.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of shoes, a little gold ring, a pair of gloves, a little dresser, fruit, nuts and candy. This is my first year to go to school. I like to go and I try to study my lessons.

Your friend,
Josie Kohutek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a truck, a red wagon, fire works, air plane and a pair of boots. I like to go to school. This is my first year.

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Dear Santa Claus:

I want a stove, a table, a set of dishes, fruit, nuts and candy. Please come to see me.

Your friend,
Corine King.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eleven years old and in the fourth grade. I have a very good teacher. Santa, please bring me a truck, bicycle, air rifle and a wagon. I try to be a good boy so please don't forget me.

Your friend,
E. J. Kuzel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 7 years old and in the second grade. I like to go to school very much. Please bring me a football, and a red bicycle. I have a little sister. She is 3 years old, please bring her a doll with clothes, and a milk bottle. Bring us both some apples, oranges and fire crackers. Don't forget the other children.

Your friend,
L. D. Provazek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. Please bring me a bicycle. I have a little brother four, please don't forget him. Bring us apples, oranges and fire crackers. I like to go to school. I have tried to be a good boy, so please don't forget me.

With love,
Willie Kuzel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a box of water colors, a truck, some fire crackers, apples, oranges, candy and nuts. I surely will thank you for these and dad. I am 9 years old and things and don't forget my mother in the second grade.

Your friend,
Thomas Ray Shegrut.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a ball, bat, a wagon, some apples, oranges, and fire crackers. I will thank you so much.

Your friend,
Roy Pascal.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a little stove, handkerchiefs, and a little gold ring. Bring my mother and dad something nice too. I am 6 years old and this is my first year to go to school. Don't forget the other children.

Rosielee Krause.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a pretty doll, candy, apples, oranges, and a new dress. I like to go to school and I like my teacher. Her name is Miss Phipps, don't forget her.

Yours truly,
Ollie Ray Walker.

BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

World's Oldest, Simplest Musical Instrument Is Universal Yuletide Symbol

Each nation has its individual symbols of Christmas: In England there is the Yule log, in France the candles and in Holland the wooden shoe. But throughout the entire world there is one universal symbol, the bells of Christmas.

This is strange because bells were not associated with the church until at least 400 A. D. when Paulinus, an Italian bishop installed them in his church. Some bell authorities claim that Pope Sabinianus gave us the first church bells in 604.

The custom has grown until there is perhaps no use of church bells so widely known in Christian countries as the ringing of chimes to herald the advent of the birth of Christ. From huge cathedrals to tiny country churches, from the frozen arctic to the sunny tropics, the bells peal forth each Christmas season an old, old story of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

America's very national existence is wrapped up in the priceless Liberty bell at Philadelphia, and certainly no one can say that bell music isn't the most democratic music in the world. It's always free, unrestricted to any few who can buy tickets to a concert.

In recent years the ancient bell has "grown up" into the carillon, a highly sensitive instrument on which Christmas carols seem to find their most perfect expression. There are now more than 200 of these instruments, 30 of them in the United States. Similar to the carillon, but differing in the number of bells, tuning and arrangement of keyboard, are chimes. Some of the finest chimes hang in English cathedrals and spread the Christmas message each December.

A chapter in the history of bells may be found in the story of almost any creed or culture. First known in the East, they were used by aboriginal people as ornaments. They came down through Grecian days and called Roman citizens to the forums, later summoning early Christians to worship. In the Middle Ages they called people to arise, guided the far-away traveler.

Napoleon loved bells so dearly he would not destroy them, while Henry VIII took fiendish delight in destroying them.

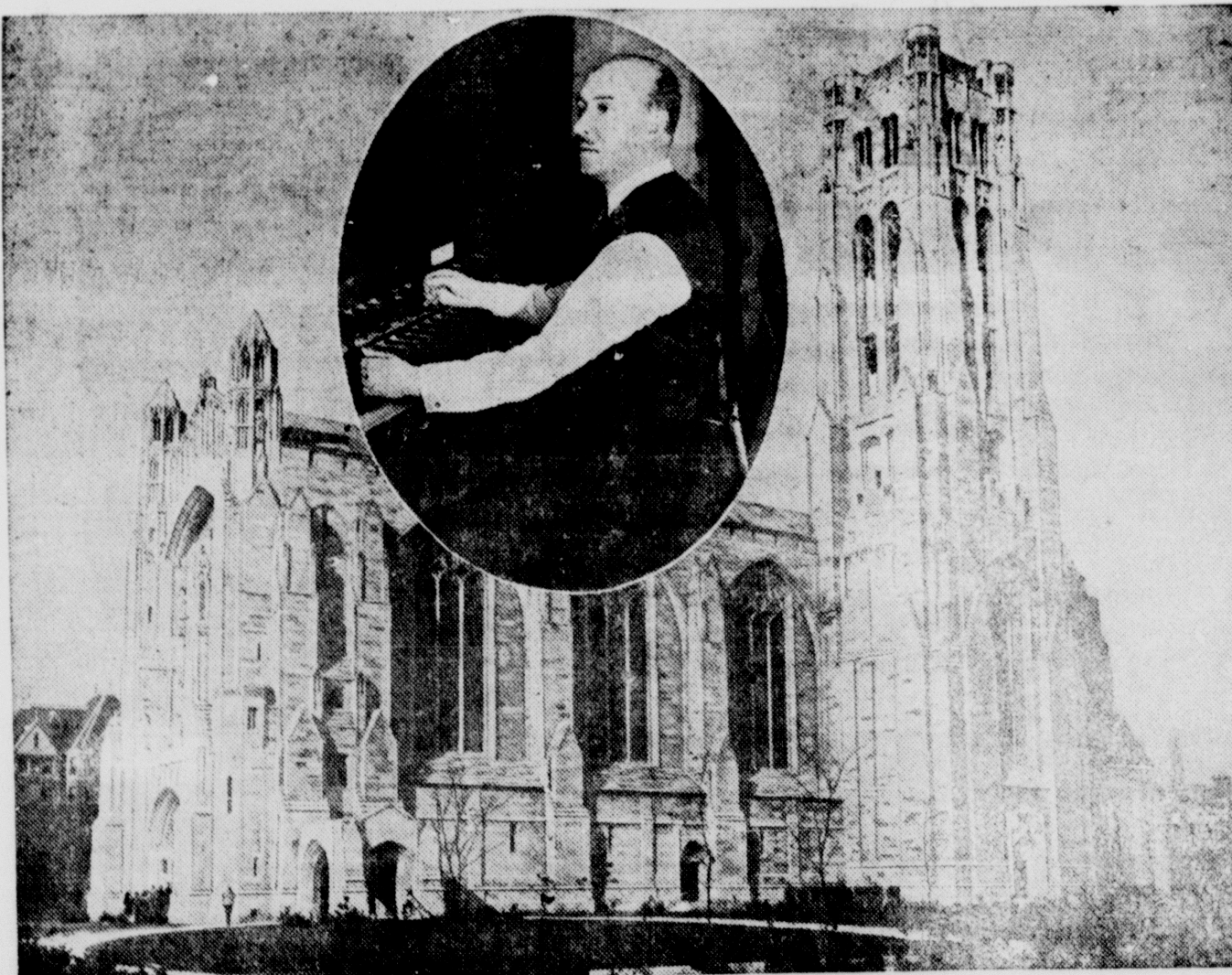
Bells have made people laugh and cry, have stirred them to action and

lulled them to sleep. Bells are the simplest, yet the most compelling musical instrument in the world and it is fitting that they should toll the universal message of Christmas, of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

RIGHT—Bok singing tower and bird sanctuary at Mountain Lakes, Fla., said to be the most ideally conceived and located carillon in the country. It rings each Christmas day.



ABOVE—Mrs. A. S. C. Forbes tests the tone of a replica of a California mission bell, which were among the first church bells in the territory later to become the United States.



The University of Chicago chapel which has one of America's most beautiful carillons, the gift of John D. Rockefeller Jr. Inset, Kamil LeFevre, noted

Belgian musician who was brought to the United States to play it. This carillon, too, rings out the story of Christmas each year.

A Merry Christmas

By REV. GEORGE APEL
Pastor of Saint Monica's Church, Cameron, Texas

The annual Christmas celebration is a world wide tribute to the Catholic Church. This is as it should be, since the Church is the only institution in existence today that dates her years from the days of Christ. The very name of the festival is redolent of Catholicity. Only great feasts were privileged to have a special mass paid on the day of their solemnization. One of these was naturally the anniversary of the birth of the Saviour. On this day was said Christ's Mass, which was very shortly abbreviated to Christmas. Thus the thoroughly Catholic origin of the very name of the holy

day, that is bringing peace and gladness, joy and contentment, to more millions, than we can count in every quarter of the globe.

In family circles the birthday of its members are celebrated by the related groups; nations commemorate the natal day of their great sons; but the coming of Christ alone is celebrated by the entire world. The annually occurring miracle of Christmas good will must come from God. May your souls be truly merry on the great feast of our Lord.

The Herald brings to you the greetings of your friends.

pists for U. S. G-Men Buy Gifts for 'Children'

WASHINGTON.—Girls working in a typing section of the G-men's gerprint division at the United States Department of Justice will make their three "adopted" families to a Christmas dinner on December 25. Last Christmas the girls adopted three needy Washington families, agreeing to help them throughout the year. Annually the federal bureau of investigation employees distribute food, clothing and toys for orphans, hospital patients and other needy people of Washington.

(pounded) to four bottles, and set all on the fire in a clean bright sauce pan; meanwhile have yolks of 12 and whites of 6 eggs well whisked up in it. Then, when the spiced and sugared wine is a little warm, take out one teacup and so on for three or four cups; after which, when it boils, add the whole of the remainder, pouring it in gradually, and stirring it briskly all the time, so as to froth it. The moment a fine froth is obtained, toss in 12 fine soft roasted apples, and send it up hot."

Personal

Miss Henriem Hefley student at State, will be here Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hefley.

Miss Vivian Whites of State University, will be in Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Tom Whites.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hester of Goldthwaite, arrived last week to make their home in Cameron for a while. Mr. Hester is employed by the Community Public Service Co., and are located in the Gaston Apartments.

Ernest Rischer of Chicago, is here on a visit with his brother and sister Dr. Eduard and Miss Rose Rischer.

Nat Wofford of Port Arthur, spent the week end here with his mother Mrs. Hallie Jones Wofford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Clark will have as Christmas guests their son Billie Clark and wife of Houston.

Mrs. William Gilbert and small son are in Waco visiting her sister, Mrs. Roger Neblet, and was joined by her husband, Mr. Gilbert, of Ottawa, Canada, and will spend some time with them, and will return to Cameron where they will visit relatives a few days before leaving for their home in Ottawa. Mr. Gilbert holds a position with a Canadian bank.

Judge and Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp will attend a family reunion of the Kemp family in Houston and will be the guests of his brother, L. W. Kemp and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams of Jackson, Miss., will also be there. Mrs. Adams formerly was Miss Rosa Kemp. Mrs. Byrum, formerly Miss Lucille Kemp, and her husband will be present as will Mr. and Mrs. Milton Tucker of Houston.

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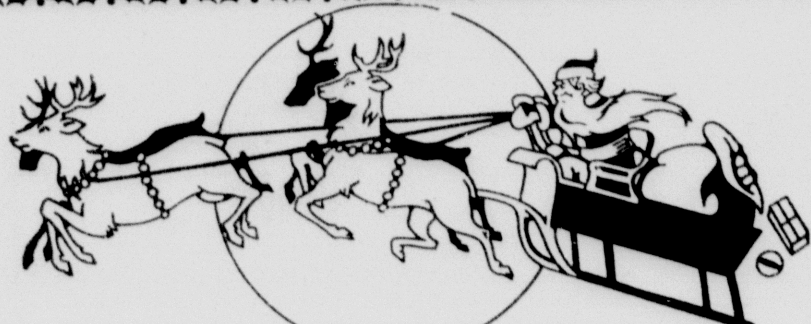
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CODY SCOUT, 101, A LIVING HISTORY OF FRONTIER DAYS

Two-Fisted Gunman of Buffalo Bill Days Knew All the Famed Old-Timers.

San Francisco.—You'd think a person nearing his one hundred first birthday would be resigned, patient, and waiting for death. But that's not the case with Henry Ingersoll Cameron, former plainsman, scout, guide, Indian fighter, and two-fisted gunman of the Buffalo Bill days.

He's still a fighter. Despite the fact that he lives with a barber, Cameron hasn't had a haircut for 87 years. Today he's fighting to regain his walking legs.

Three years ago after a session of solitaire he told his family, "Damn, I can't get out of my chair." Doctors say he lost his sense of balance, but that it'll return at one hundred three, when he'll have to learn to walk all over again.

Impatient for 1940 to arrive, Cameron sits and smokes. His quota is six cigars a day, which he chases with 25 pipefuls of tobacco.

He always wears his chest full of medals and removes only his plainsman hat when he sleeps.

According to his own stories, he's seen more history made than any man alive, and here is his story:

He lost an eye in the Civil war, after running the gantlet of the enemy's lines and coming through unscathed at the battle of Shiloh. Some of his claims are:

He Helped Bury Jesse James.

He was in St. Joseph, Mo., when Jesse James was killed and helped to bury him. He was held captive by Blackfoot Indians of Wyoming, was standing by the table when Wild Bill Hickok was killed, and saw them bury Hickok and Calamity Jane in the same grave.

Many a horse was shot from under him by Indians when he was scouting for Col. William (Buffalo Bill) Cody.

Son of a newspaper editor, he ran away from his boyhood home in Butler county, Ohio, when he was seventeen and struck out for the West over the plains. That was in '54.

After several years of Indian fighting he joined the Union army and entered the Civil war. But, preferring Indians as foes to Southerners, he left the war after losing an eye, and became a scout for General Crook, the Indian fighter.

Later he joined Buffalo Bill Cody's party, leading their expeditions, picking off Indians along the trails.

Indian Captive Year and Half.

In the spring of '66, while scouting for a party, he was surprised by a band of Wyoming Blackfeet, who shot him three times while he was bending down to make a fire. One bullet struck his right elbow, another hit his left arm, and the third creased his skull.

The Indians carried him 100 miles to their village and held him captive for 18 months. He was threatened and tormented and finally released in exchange for two sacks of flour, brought in one day with an imperative demand from the commander of Fort Laramie.

From there he went to Promontory, Utah, and on May 9, 1869, watched the driving of the golden spike joining the Union and Southern Pacific transcontinental railroads.

Along about the seventies he began cutting down his doses of excitement and fiddled around with balloon ascensions from the old Woodward Gardens in San Francisco.

He took a farm near Petaluma when he was nearly sixty and became one of the oldest pioneers of Sonoma county. He married Mrs. Ella (Tolle) Squires in '99. She sits beside him now and says she is "only eighty-two."

Since 1926 the Camerons have lived with Mrs. Cameron's daughter in San Francisco.

Irish Sentence Scottish

Lass for Public Salute

Black Rock, Ireland.—A lass from Glasgow, Scotland, went visiting recently in Black Rock, which is a village on the seacoast of Ireland. She and a young man of Black Rock became very good friends.

But one day some busybody saw them kissing, right out in public. It was reported to the local vigilance committee. The committee was shocked and the justices of the Dundalk court were scandalized. They sentenced Miss Julia Clarke to spend a month in jail.

But Julia already had returned to Glasgow, so she is safe unless she happens to return to Black Rock. The young man also was called into court. The justices must have thought the girl from the city was to blame, for they told him he wouldn't have to go to jail if he would give \$10 to a church society and promise never to do anything like that again—in public.

Wet Prunes Burst Walls

Chico, Calif.—Housewives know that prunes soaked in water swell, and now California prune growers know it, too. During the California floods, a large barn, filled with prunes, was swept several feet deep by flood waters. The prunes swelled until suddenly, with a terrific explosion, the barn burst.

Society News

Miss Dorothy Kidd entertained members of the Comus Club and of Beta Sigma Phi at her home decorated in accordance with the Christmas motif on Saturday, December 17, when Miss Margaret Bloebaum gave a charming review of the popular book, "The Yearling," written by Marjorie K. Rawlings. Miss Bloebaum, a delightful speaker, beautifully recounted the major episodes of this tale dealing with the "Crackers" of Florida. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Kidd, served a plate of Christmas cookies and tea.

Alpha Eta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the home of Mrs. John Sapp, Monday night, December 12. The reception rooms were beautifully decorated in the seasonal colors. Mrs. Charles M. Hicks was guest speaker and reviewed the book, "And Tell of Time" written by Laura Krey. Mrs. Hicks delighted her audience with her charming discussion of this book, which traces several eras of Texas history. At the close of the review, Mrs. Hicks was presented with potted poinsettias by the sorority. The hostess served delicious fruit cake and punch to members and the following guests: Mrs. Charles M. Hicks, Mrs. C. W. Bradbury, Miss Lela Trice, Miss Winnie Henderson, Mrs. Raymond Sharpe and Mrs. O. L. Kidd.

Last Sunday's Austin American ran a story of Miss Rosalie Matocha, with a fine picture of her, as being re-elected the third time as President of her class in the Seton Infirmary in Austin. Miss Matocha graduated from the Cameron high school before she entered training in the Seton Infirmary where she is a senior this year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Matocha. Her father is at present attorney for the securities division in the office of secretary of state, and was a former Secretary of State under Gov. James V. Allred.

Mrs. C. P. McGregor and daughter, Miss Patsy McGregor and Mr. and Mrs. Homer McLane attended the wedding of Miss Virginia Bargainier in Marlin to Mr. Bolivar L. Allen Saturday evening. Miss Patsy was one of the bridesmaids. Miss Bargainier was member of the Cameron school faculty last year, but did not accept the re-appointment as teacher here. Mr. and Mrs. Allen will make their home in El Dorado, Ark., where Mr. Allen is attorney for the Lion Oil Company.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, December 14, Miss Eleanor Bowmer was hostess to the Cameron Symphony Club. The members assembled at the home of Mrs. J. W. Kemp. After a short business meeting, Miss Ethel Skelton introduced the program with a discussion of the life of the operatic composer, Verdi. Mrs. R. P. Jeter, Mrs. J. H. Sapp and Mrs. Guy Haynes entertained the group with piano selections, and Mrs. Vernon Collins with a vocal selection. After the program, refreshments were served to the guests by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Kemp.

Alpha Eta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi enjoyed their annual Christmas party at the Kyle Hotel in Temple on last Monday night. After hav-

ing eaten a delicious dinner, gifts were distributed from a beautiful Christmas tree to the members. Those to attend this party were Misses Dell Horstman, Patricia Batte, Pauline Starnes, Dorothy Kidd, Ada Margaret Smith, Maude Stevenson, Frances Sharpe and Mesdames W. G. Gillis, John A. Smith, Jr., John Sapp, Fred Reno, W. C. Wiese and W. R. Newton, Jr.

Mrs. Jennie Ransom of Claude, mother of Mrs. Guy Haynes, is in Cameron for an extended visit in the home of her daughter. Mrs. Ransom shortly after the Christmas holidays will go to Temple for an operation. She expects to remain in Temple for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Alexander have moved to Houston to make their home. He was formerly manager here for the Kraft Phenix Cheese Company. Recently a son, Clyde Newton Alexander was born to them at the Cameron hospital, their second son, the oldest being Byron, Jr. Mrs. Alexander and the infant son left Cameron early this week for their new home in Houston.

The First Baptist Church of Cameron presented its annual Christmas pageant on last Sunday night when a talented group of the church gave "The Empty Room," a three act play written by Dorothy Clarke Wilson. "The Empty Room" is a drama of the first Christmas. A large congregation of people filled to overflowing the auditorium of the Baptist church to see this drama which opened at 7:30 on Sunday night. The scene was laid in a room in the old khan of Bethlehem during the evening of the first Christmas. Homer a young Bethlehemite, and an innkeeper was played by Jim Baskin. Joanna, his cousin, was Josephine Newton. The part of the prophet was given by J. M. Ruggles, Mary of Nazareth by Winnelle Kidd, a nobleman of

Capernam was played by W. C. Wiese and Curtis Lowe played the part of a servant. The characters were attractively dressed in oriental costumes typical of the characterizations given in Biblical pictures. The innkeeper reserved the best room in his house for the prince because he expected to receive a large sum of money for the use of the room. A servant announces the prince is arrived which in reality turns out to be Mary and Joseph, but the innkeeper refuses to let them in and requested them to sleep in the stable. It all turns out well when after the Christ child is born, a rich nobleman obtains the sunset chamber or the best room for Mary and Joseph and the infant Jesus, and the innkeeper and his wife believe on Him who was born to save mankind. Soft lights shaded the stage and off stage Christmas carols were played.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bailey of Jones Prairie, a pioneer couple of Milam county, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Wednesday, December 28 at their home in that community. Relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey are invited to call on that day from 3 to 5 in the afternoon and from 7 to 9 in the evening. Mr. Bailey was born in Kentucky in 1867 and came to Milam county in 1878, when he was but 11 years old. Mrs. Bailey, who before her marriage was Miss Fannie T. Barron, was born in the Jones Prairie community where she now resides, in 1871. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey are the parents of 11 children, 9 of whom are living. They are Sam Bailey of Fort Worth, Mrs. Laura Schroder of Weelder, Mrs. W. J. Hammond of Lott, Mrs. F. B. Thrasher of Rosebud, J. R. Bailey of Houston, Mrs. B. C. Rogers of Abilene, W. E. Bailey of Jones Prairie, F. E. Bailey of Rosebud and Mrs. Franklin Dusek of Cameron. All nine are expected to be at home on next Wednesday to share in the golden wedding celebration of their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey are well known citizens of this county and have innumerable friends who wish for them many happy returns of the day.

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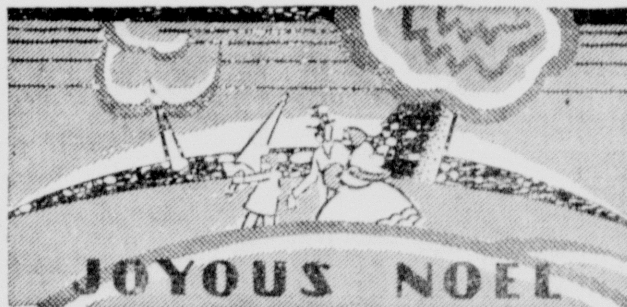
I believe in honesty, integrity, hard work, perseverance, individual initiative, and the right of private ownership of property. Hence I can see no picture, but that of inevitable chaos for honest business under the present communistic regime, whose every move tends to encourage laziness, graft, and class hatred. Thrift is being penalized; honesty is being perverted, and individualism is being crushed. Collectivism and regimentation is being thrust upon us by a bunch of political appointees, 80% of whom, I dare say, have never met a pay roll in their lives and were it not for their government jobs, would be on relief themselves.

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I trust that Christmas Day finds you happy and enjoying the blessings of peace and plenty and to all my friends everywhere I send these greetings. In the new year I covet for each one a generous share of good health and prosperity.

When I think of so many true and loyal friends and the confidence the people of Milam county have manifested in me, I am deeply grateful and I want each one to know that I cherish their friendship and their good will.

GRAHAM GILLIS DISTRICT JUDGE

The YWA met last Tuesday evening in the home of Miss Inez Smith with nineteen members present. A short business session was held after which Miss Johnnie Smith read the Christmas story as given in Luke. After the program each member was presented with a gift from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. The gifts were in the form of toys suitable for children of different ages and will be given to the benefit of the organization's adopted family of motherless children. At the conclusion of the program a salad plate with sandwiches, potato chips, olives, stuffed celery and snacks were served with hot chocolate as a drink.

The Methodist Church of Cameron enjoyed a large attendance on last Sunday when each department in the church presented gifts from beautifully decorated Christmas trees to each student in each section. The choir rendered special Christmas music and the spirit of "peace on earth, good will toward men" was very much in evidence. On Christmas day, the pastor, Rev. A. J. McCary will deliver a sermon in keeping with the occasion and the choir will sing the beloved Christmas carols.

The Presbyterian Church of Cameron held its annual Candle Light Service on last Sunday in the interest of the ministerial relief fund, at which time the joyous Christmas gift offering was taken. Mrs. J. E. Johnson had charge of the program and Mrs. J. H. Sapp presided at the organ. Special music was given by both the adult and the junior choir appropriate for the occasion. The pastor, Rev. O. C. Acree delivered a Christmas sermon anticipating the celebration to occur next Sunday, December 25th.

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Headless Skeleton**Puzzle to Police**

Dijon, France.—Closely following the Weidmann mass murders, French police are faced with the mysterious slaying of an as yet unidentified man near here.

Tied to a tree by steel chains, the skeleton of a headless man was found by a local hunter. His head, either severed at death or torn off by wild animals, was discovered a few yards away.

French police believe it may be the body of a German professor, Dr. Heinrich Helmund, a refugee, who disappeared in France several months ago.

**GOAT ONLY FRIEND
TO MOURN OLD MAN****Paws Sadly at Door of Shack
Where Master Lies Dead.**

Winnipeg.—There was only one friend to mourn when a lonely old man died in his tiny, unpainted shack in a corner of a lumber yard at St. Boniface, near here. He was Desire Castiau, seventy-six years old, once a locomotive engineer for the Belgian railways, once an expert machinist.

Thirty years ago Castiau was sent to Canada to install machinery in coal mines at Frank, Alberta. Joyfully, his wife and seven children came with him to the new world. Castiau did his work well, and for years was a valued employee of the mining company and later with a coal company in Edmonton.

But tragedy came to Castiau with a heavy hand. One by one his wife and all their children died. Trying to forget, he moved to St. Boniface, married again, and then moved to Montreal. There his second wife died twelve years ago.

Castiau went back to St. Boniface and built his one room house in the lumber yard. In return for the space where his tiny home stood, and for scraps of lumber to feed a small stove, he kept watch on the yards, leading his pet goat, Jeanette, on a chain as he made his rounds.

Workers in the lumber yard, looking toward Castiau's shack one morning, saw for the first time in years that no smoke was curling from the tilted little chimney about the tar papered roof. A yardman went to the house and looked through a window. Castiau was still in bed.

Pounding on the door failed to arouse the old man, so police came and forced their way inside. Castiau had died in his sleep. After his body had been taken away his faithful friend Jeanette pawed mournfully at the door of the tiny shack. For two days the goat refused to be led away, waiting in vain for the master who was no longer there.

**Fiance of Deb in Africa
Helps Pay for Her Debut**

Philadelphia.—In one section of West Africa the "boy friend" helps defray the cost of a girl's debut, according to Henry U. Hall, University of Pennsylvania Museum ethnologist.

Hall, who has returned from an expedition financed by the American Philosophical society, said that in Sherbo, Africa, girls become members of the fashionable set when they were inducted into the "bundu," a secret order.

The girls spend four months in special groves learning manners and then return for their official debut, Hall said.

On the third night of the coming-out party the girls change their dull "khotas" for European frocks, sometimes even silk ones, and there is dancing and palm wine is drunk.

Because of the heavy expense on parents of the deb, the fiance frequently is persuaded to pay part of the cost.

"Most men that can afford it have more than one wife," Hall said.

**Pussy Has Hare-Raising
Adventure in the Woods**

Armonk, N. Y.—Armonk residents looked askance at Sophie, a black cat.

Sophie went on a three months' trip into the woods, according to her owner, F. Freeman Lloyd, and returned with a litter. This wasn't unusual in itself, but two of the kittens, Bunny and Blackie, certainly are unusual. They bear astonishing resemblance to rabbits.

Bunny has the forelegs, chest, teeth, ears and claws of a cat, but its back is high like a rabbit's, and it has long rear legs and it hops. Blackie hops, too, and has a short, fuzzy tail. Both eat carrots, cabbage and lettuce.

Ernest Sapey, manager of a cat shelter, called them "rabcats," and said: "If Sophie could only talk!"

Back Seat "Driver" Fined

Olympia, Wash.—The state law is that the owner is responsible for his automobile, and for whoever is driving it. So Ivan Jones, who was a passenger in his own car, riding in the back seat, was fined \$50 for drunken driving because the driver was drunk.

Fish Bites Man and Log

Mombasa, South Africa.—By biting a native and his dog near Mombasa, a fish routed them and escaped at its leisure.

Firemen

(Continued from page 1)

may be measurably free from the menace of fires. Let us not forget that the volunteer members of our fire department serve without pay. In fact, it costs them money, loss of valuable time, danger, and sometime life itself, to render us such service.

About a year ago I saw them bravely enter the smoke-filled office of Dr. Crump, not knowing they would come out uninjured, and I thought of the Scarbrough and Hicks fire in Rockdale a few years ago, in which one or two volunteer firemen gave their lives trying to save the property of others. I think of the recent Cameron-Caldwell foot ball game, attended by some of our volunteer firemen, clothed in their best suits. They left the football field, and for hours helped fight a dangerous fire in the down-town section of Caldwell, their compensation being the sense of having performed an unselfish, but dangerous, service for others, plus the privilege of themselves paying for having

their suits cleaned and pressed.

Oftimes you hear the fire alarm during business hours when our Volunteer firemen turn their backs on their own business, no matter what their loss may be, to attempt to save the property of and to serve others. At other times they are called from their slumbers between midnight and daybreak, often in bitterly cold and inclement weather. They instantly abandon the warmth and comfort of their homes and beds and expose themselves and their health to serious dangers, without pay and just to serve and protect each and every citizen of our city! They save many thousands of dollars annually for others in cheaper rates enjoyed by us because of their efficient services.

To replace them with an adequate paid personnel would cost every taxpayer considerable money, and our city many thousands of dollars. Without them, I venture the assertion that our insurance rates would be prohibitive.

At their last State Convention a month or so ago, resolutions were

passed calling upon the Fire Insurance Commissioner of Texas to reduce rates charged for fire insurance in various cities and to remove certain penalties added to the rates charged in certain towns. We should gratefully realize and applaud their organized efforts to save for their fellow-citizens every dollar possible and to see that all get fair treatment under the law. They have the interest of their fellow-men deeply at heart and leave no stone unturned which would be of benefit to them.

Monuments and statues have been erected to the memory of many individuals whose services were no more monumental, no more outstanding, no more dangerous, and no more unselfish, than those of each member of the Cameron Volunteer Fire Department. Do we fully appreciate what they have done, what they are doing and what they will do for us and for our fair little city? We hope we are beginning to appreciate them and what they do for us.

From this day forward, it is the

purpose and intention of the Cameron Rotary Club and of its individual members to try to cause the general public to appreciate the sacrifices these Volunteer Firemen render for us. We feel that, with full understanding and appreciation, every citizen of our community should and will gratefully and loyally stand behind and further the best interests of our Volunteer Firemen.

The Cameron Rotary Club is glad to welcome such men as our guests, and to honor them.

**Knights of Pythias
Elect 30 New Members**

One of the largest classes ever to be initiated into the local Knights of Pythias Lodge was received on last Monday night, December 19, when the lodge held its regular meeting. This class which enlists thirty names will be known as the Christmas and Home Class.

Those elected to membership and who will receive the rank of Page on Monday night, December 26, at

8 p. m. are: C. R. Allison, J. R. Bush, R. D. Butcher, W. N. Burns, N. L. Caperton, Allen Dodson, John H. Davis, S. C. Gunbaugh, Jr., Carol M. Green, Chas. S. Hickman, John C. Haygood, F. E. Jackson, Shirley McLean, S. B. Morris, James C. Merik, G. W. Miller, Alvin Nolte, W. A. L. Robinson, W. W. Wilson, R. J. Woodum, W. A. Morrison, Billy Wilson, Lester Williams for initiation; Roy Griffith, R. C. Moody and Jas. Watson by reinstatement; and Ed. Gunn by transfer. The Knights expect several more names to be added to this list this week.

Miss Helen Green who is head of the English Department in the University of San Antonio, will be home Thursday to spend the holiday here with her mother, Mrs. C. N. Green. Mrs. Green is also expecting her sister, Mrs. Ida Jackson of Durango, here to be a guest in her home during the holidays.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM MISCELLANEOUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old. I am in the second grade at school. I say my prayers at night, and turn thanks at each meal. I've wished several Christmases Santa would bring me a big doll, one that opens and shuts its eyes, with curly hair and one that cries. But Dad is poor and out of work—tried to get help from relief, or work on PWA or WPA for last year. Seems like the world has nothing to offer those who trust in God, so this Christmas, I am thinking of a poor cripple boy 12 years old. He can't go to school, can't walk or run and play, so I am going to ask Santa to bring him something instead of me on this Christmas day. I guess he would be thankful for anything to eat or wear, I know I would. A merry Christmas to Santa and all. His address is Vel Ray Galbreath, Route 1, Milano Texas. I am,

Lois Leslie,
Milano, Texas, Box 403.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy all this time, so please bring me a doll, a truck, and some fruits. And don't forget the other little boys and girls. And be sure and don't forget little Uncle Erwin.

Your friend,
Harvey Lee Stall,
Burlington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I've tried hard to be good this month, so won't you please come to see me and bring me a tricycle, a little pony, and some reindeers just like you have in the Citizens Bank.

Your little friend,
Bobby Rolen Gandy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy. I am only two years old. Be so kind and bring me a little red wagon, honey bear, ABC blocks, a little truck, and some nuts and candy. Please Santa, don't forget the poor little children in Milam county.

Louis Jo (Sonny Boy) Gerick.

I am a little girl four years old. For Christmas I want a set of dishes and a doll. I have a little sister three years old. She wants a doll and a set of dishes. Please bring us some candy, nuts and fruits. We have been good little girls. Don't forget my little cousin, Mayme Lydia Roden.

Your little friends,
Mary Joyce and Geraldine Roden.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl just four years old and I've tried to be good and mind my mother. Will you please bring me a train that runs on a track, a doll and a doll bed.

Santa, I want you to bring my lit-

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant said petition alleging: The statutory grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this the 7th day of December A. D. 1938.

(Seal) PENN WOLF,
Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas.

tle sister, Betty Ann a doll. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Love,
Peggy Ruth Reaves.

Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, and a pair of boots. Don't forget the poor children.

Your little friend,
Joyce La Verne Schiller.

For Christmas I want you to bring me a little doll, a little broom, a little iron, a set of dishes, some fruit and candy, and a little rocking chair.

Your little friend,
Doris Allena Neal.

Will you please bring me for Christmas a doll, some fruit, and some candy, a little broom, a set of dishes, and a little wagon, so I can pull little brother around.

Your little friend,
Clara Louise Neal.

For Christmas I want you to bring me a ball, a wagon and a tricycle, some apples, oranges and some candy.

Your pal,
H. F. Neal.

Please bring me a new boy friend for Christmas.

Angie Polansky.

Please bring me a bicycle, some fruit, nuts and candy. Please do not forget the little children who do not have any toys.

Your little friend,
Billy Mack Reid,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle and a red zipper pencil case. I also want some nuts, fruit and candy. I will thank you if you will please bring me these things. And Santa, please, do not forget the poor people that do not have any things.

Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy seven years old. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I want a little power tractor and a little drum. Bring some oranges, apples, nuts and candy. Do not forget my mother, father and my brother. Please bring my brother a bicycle for Christmas, and some fire works, and do not forget other little boys and girls.

Your friend,
Bennett Glaser.

Dear Santa Claus:

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl three years old. Please bring me a big doll and a little one, a little iron, a cook stove, a set of dishes, and lots of candy, apples and oranges. Don't forget my mother and daddy. Bring them something too. Don't forget my little uncle Herman, and my little cousins, bring them something too. Good bye.

Doris Janes.

Khuskhus is a synonym for vetiver, an East Indian grass cultivated in the tropics and in Louisiana for its fragrant roots which are used in making mats and screens and which yield an essential oil useful in perfumery.

Supplies World With Nickel

The Sudbury district in the province of Ontario, Canada, produces virtually the whole of the world's supply of nickel, a metal that is an essential component of all steels used for armaments, says Collier's Weekly.

Boardwalk to the Moon

The 50 million board feet of wood consumed annually in the United States would be sufficient to build a boardwalk one inch thick and forty feet wide from the earth to the moon, a government calculation shows.

Statue Gift to U. S.

The statue of Rochambeau was the gift of the French republic to the United States. It stands in Lafayette square in Washington, D. C., and was unveiled with ceremony by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1902.

Airplane to the Moon

An airplane which could circle the earth in three days and 19 hours, at 200 m.p.h., would take 50 days to reach the moon, 27 years to Mars, 53 to the sun, and 195,000,000 years to reach the star Betelgeuse.

The Tax Collector's Share

A family living on \$2,600 a year, says the National Consumers Tax commission, averages about \$827.19 for food. The Tax collector eats up \$57.97 of that food bill.

Farmer Gets Short End

The government makes more money out of meat, milk and wheat than the farmer does. Hidden taxes produce more revenue from these products than there are profits.

Giant Reservoir of Ice

In southeastern Alaska there is a giant reservoir of ice overflowing into ice streams and containing more ice than all Europe's famous glaciers put together.

Malayan Tiger Attacks Natives

The Malayan tiger is smaller than other tigers, but it frequently attacks rubber tappers on Malay's rubber plantations.

Negroes Have White Ancestors

Biologists believe that three out of every four American-born Negroes have at least one white ancestor.

The Hardest Work

Uncle Ab says that the hardest work that is done usually comes from work that is left undone.

Prohibited Steel for Bridges

Steel was prohibited in England for bridge construction as late as 1877.



GREETINGS FROM POSTAL

Postal Telegraph appreciates its friends and patrons and wishes to express to all the hope that you many be happy Christmas and in the New Year may you have good health and Prosperity.

We are sincerely grateful for the nice volume of business you gave us in 1938. We want to serve you again in 1939.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH CO.

DAN TYSON, Manager

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM YARRELLTON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a bicycle, a horse, a pocket knife, and a horn.

Charlie Blocker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a ball and an air gun for Christmas. Please try to bring them to me. I'll wait for you Christmas eve.

Charlie Schiller.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll for Christmas. I want some candy too. I will be looking for you, so hurry and come to see me.

Your friend,
Eula Lane McCall.

Dear Santa Claus:

Mother says I want too much this year. I hope you won't think so. I want a horse, an air gun, a base ball, a football, a wagon, a bicycle, and oranges and nuts. Please fill my stocking.

William Donaho.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ball, a wagon, an airplane, a football and a bicycle.

Your friend,
Laurence Vrazel.

Dear Santa Claus:

Nancy, the doll you left me last year, needs some new clothes. Will you see that she gets them, please? For myself I want a kitchen cabinet and a cooking set. I think I can use my mother's stove. Thank you, Santa.

Elba Jean Colburn.

Dear Santa Claus:

Do you think a little girl seven years old could ride a scooter? I want one for Christmas very much. I'd like some candy, too.

Your friend,
Doris Nell Jungmann.

Dear Santa Claus:

After you have given toys to all the other children, if you have a doll and a set of dishes left, may I have them? I want some sparklers and fruit, too please.

Audrey Fae Liles.

Dear Santa Claus:

Do you think you could bring me a doll, wagon, a little stove, a story book, dishes and some fruit. I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to the Yarrellton school and I am in the third grade.

Your friend,
Rosa Lee Vrazel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade, now. I would like a comb, brush and mirror set. We must have our hair brushed well every morning in our health contest. Please may I have a big ball too.

Your friend,
Evelyn Zubicek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a pretty doll that will go to sleep, and a red ball and some jacks. I want some dishes too.

Your friend,
Margie Ann Liles.

Dear Santa Claus:

I think I'll have a good Christmas because I've been such a good boy. Could you bring me a truck auto, a train engine, an army plane, and a climbing monkey? Then, I always want nuts, candy and fire crackers. I'll be watching for you.

Delma Brook Stone.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a big baby doll. I hope she will go to sleep. I would also like some fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Mary Varzel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle and an air gun for Christmas. Thank you for being so nice to me last year.

Your pal,
Harrel Gibbs.

Dear Santa Claus:

Do you think you could bring me a doll, a cabinet, a story book and a stove? I want them all, and I've been good.

Your friend,
Joyce Ann Brooks.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a doll, a bed for her, a tricycle, an electric train, a whistle, and some fire works. I'd like a set of dishes, too. Hurry and come. Santa I have been good.

Your friend,
Doris Nell Lott.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing what I want from you. Could I have an air gun, some apples and oranges, some nuts and a baseball? It is fun to write to you. I will see you soon.

Henry John Ollis.



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To My Friends and Patrons:

The year 1938 gave us opportunity to serve many. We were glad to know that so many found our station and our products satisfactory in every way.

Christmas time brings to all of us a realization of the value of good will and of gratitude. When you come to celebrate on Christmas Day the blessings of the season, please be assured that our best wishes will be there with you and yours.

In the New Year we want you to patronize us again and we assure you in advance of our appreciation and we guarantee our products and our service.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy nine years old. I have been very good this year, and have minded my mother. I hope you will bring me this: a football, a chemistry set, a camera, some films and a wrist watch. I know there are many other boys and girls you are taking presents to, but I know that you will not forget me.

Your friend,
Walter Lawrence.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you today? I hope you have a lot of toys for the boys and girls. I also hope it snows a lot, so you can come in your sled and with your reindeers. I want a radio, a football and a lot of books, also a lot of candy, fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Clyde Dodson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old, and in the fourth grade. I would like to have a pair of skates, a twin sweater and Dy-Dee doll clothes. I think that is enough. Be sure to bring the poor children toys for Christmas. I guess that is all till next year.

Your friend,
Reba Young.

Dear Santa Claus:

Since it is very near Christmas, I am writing to you to tell you what I want. I am only going to tell you some of the things I want because I want so many things that it takes too much time to name them. These are the things I want: a little desk, a drawing board, a bead set, a camera, a little chest of drawers, and a bicycle. I would like it very much if you would bring me these things for they are the things I want most.

Lynn Skelton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old and I am in the fourth grade. I have a little sister and she is four years old. Her name is Barbara La Juan. Please bring me a set of dishes, a Bible, a set of fiddle sticks, a book and some candy and fruit for Christmas.

Your friend,
Edith Walton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl, nine years of age. Sunday's I go to the Methodist church, and I need a Bible. Would you bring me a Bible please? I would also like a pair of skates, a few books and a baby Brownie kodak. That is all I want, now unless you would like to give me something else.

Your friend,
Patsy Esslinger.

Dear Santa Claus:

This Christmas I am not asking for much. I want a Bible, a pair of skates, a pair of house shoes, and I want some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the poor.

With love,
Eleanor Sue.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing to tell what I would like to have. This is what I would like to have: a doll, a brush set, and a croquet set. I am a girl in the fourth grade. We have a big school. I like school very well. I hope many little boys and girls will get something. I will close.

Your friend,
Evelyn Cloud.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am sending you a letter today for the first time this year. I hope you can crawl through the fire place on Christmas night. I want you to bring me a bicycle, a football, an air gun, and a drum. I want you to bring my baby sister something too. Remember the poor children who have less than we.

Your friend,
Willie Dana.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy, and I wish for 5 things, but first, I want you to go to the poor girls and boys who do not have any Christmas. The five things are: a football suit, a pair of skates, a gun and scabbard and some nuts and candy.

With love,
Paul Burke.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to write you a letter and tell you what I want for Christmas. I am a little girl 9 years old. My name is Mary Louise Rosenburg. For Christmas I want a doll, typewriter, a set of dishes, ball, candy, apples, oranges and a tree. My sister wants some toys too, and don't forget the other children.

With love,
Mary Louise Rosenburg.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy this year and I want you to bring me a B B gun, a pair of handle bars, a luggage carrier a head light, back light and a brake band for my bicycle.

Your friend,
Jake Richards.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a football, a doll, a baseball set, and some nuts and candy.

Love
Earl Deane Bailey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy in the fifth grade at school. I want only a few things. I want a Gene Autry gun, a scabbard, and a football. That's all for me this Christmas.

Your friend,
Lee Claxton.

Dear Santa Claus:

Santa, I am in the 5B class. I want you to bring me a BB gun, some BB shots, a pair of skates, fruit and candy. I hope you don't forget the other boys and girls. I wish you a merry Christmas.

Your friend,
J. D. McGoldrick.

Dear Santa Claus:

All I want is some skates and a doll. I will be very proud of them. Don't forget my candy and fruit that I get every Christmas that you come. I am in the 5B class. I have been going to Cameron school for 2 weeks. Sunday I am going to write to Miss Fulton. She was my teacher at Chilton. I hope you like my letter.

Your friend,
Ruth Mullinax.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football bladder and a microscopic set so I can learn about bugs and insects.

Your friend,
Bernice Harris.

Dear Santa Claus:

I can't wait for you to come. I want a Lone Ranger suit and do not forget my mother, father and my brother. I would like for brother to have a wagon.

Your friend,
Frank McKay.

Dear Santa Claus:

For Christmas I want a dollar air gun, a pair of boots and a pair of boot pants.

Your friend,
Conway Overton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a doll, some doll clothes, a desk to write on, some paper and some pencils.

With love,
Annie Westbrook.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Lois Betty Gregory. I am eleven years old and I have been a good girl. I have studied my lessons and have tried to make good grades. I want you to please bring me a big doll and some dishes. If you can't bring a big doll, I want a little one. Please bring me a big doll and some dishes.

Lois Gregory.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me an air gun and four or five boxes of BB shot to go with the gun.

Floyd Andrews.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a football, a baseball, a bat, a ranger gun, fruits, nuts and candy? If you will, I will thank you very much.

Your little friend,
Burford Segler.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a gun, a football, a pair of gloves, caps, and fire crackers.

Your friend,
Charles Friemel.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me two bicycle tires, and some nuts and fruit.

With best regards,
Charles Shelander.

Dear Santa Claus:

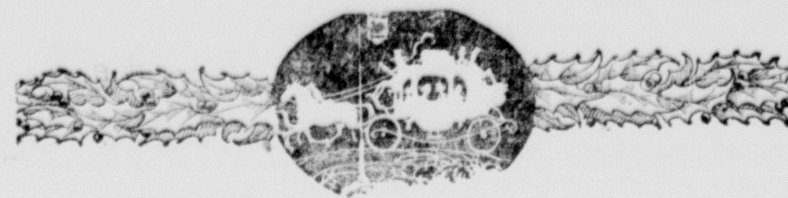
I want a four hundred-ten shot gun for Christmas. That is all.

Your friend,
Billie Joe Eanes.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me two pearl handle guns and holsters and a foot ball, and lots of good things to eat. Santa, please bring my mother something nice and please bring every little boy and girl something so they will be happy too. Love to you Santa.

Your friend,
Raymond Perry, Jr.



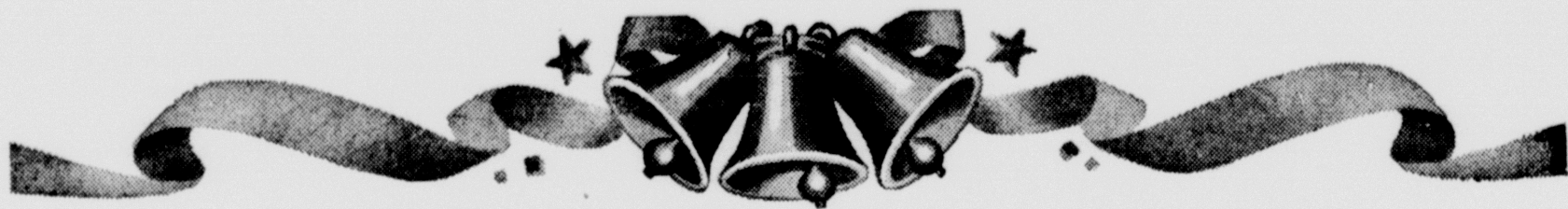
A Merry Christmas and A Bright New Year

We appreciate our friendly associations during the past year, and with deep sincerity and more pleasure than we can express, we wish

for you and yours all the joy, contentment and prosperity that Christmas and the New Year can bring.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO TUNE-IN WFAA 11:00 O'CLOCK

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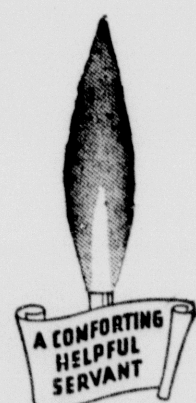
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First Tenor

NORMAN HARRISON, Bass
ELMER NELSON, Accompanist

EDWIN DEIBLER
Baritone

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Sincere Greetings

To remember Friends and Patrons and to express to each one the hope that all may be Happy at Christmas Time is a pleasure in which we take delight.

Based upon our appreciation for the favors shown us in 1938 we acknowledge with this Greeting our debt of gratitude. We want to serve you again in 1938. We look back with pride to the progress we have made.

To You and Yours, Happy New Year and a Merry Christmas.

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Cameron, Texas

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I think I have been a very good boy this year. I am in the first grade although I am six years old. For Christmas I would like to have a big red wagon, a little car, and some nuts, fruits and candy. Please do not forget the little poor children, who would love to have some toys too.

Love,
Frank Ward.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a train, truck, football and some little cars also bring my little sister some toys and I would also like some fruits and cookies for my sister and I. Please don't forget all the poor little boys and girls.

Yours truly,
Doyle James Brandstetter.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old. I have been a very good little girl so please bring me a doll, doll clothes and a little suit case, some fire crackers, apples and oranges. Don't forget the poor boys and girls.

With love,
Betty Jo Nevins.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle. I have been a good boy.

Fred Johns.

I want a truck, a scooter, a cowboy suit, and an air gun. Oh yes, and some fruit and candy. I would like for you to bring me a pair of boots too. To our loving Santa.

Thomas Solomon.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a scooter, a rain coat, a rain cap, and a set of dishes. I am in the second grade. Santa, do not forget my teacher, Miss Alson.

Your friend,

Gerty Jane Hargrove.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an erector set, an electric train, some nuts and candy.

Dick Stedman.

I want a bicycle for Christmas. I am in the second grade. I also want a cowboy suit. My mother wants a pair of stockings.

Bibbie Ray Jackson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 7 years old. I want a soldier suit. I want a stopper gun too, and some fruit and candy. Please do not forget my brother and sister too.

Charles Brady.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some Chinese checkers, and a bicycle.

Your friend,
Richard Jones.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a toy train, an air gun, and bring me lots of fruits and candy and nuts. Remember my teacher, Miss Childress and please remember Dad and Mother, also my sister, grand mother and grandpa, all the girls and boys. Make them all happy.

Allen Jackson Armstrong.

Dear Santa Claus:

Bring me a BB gun, wagon and some fire crackers. And BB shots and cap gun. Please bring me some candy and some nuts and fruit.

With love,
Eugene McGoldrick.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a gun, scabbard, ball and color book, also fruit, candy and nuts. I have been a good boy and my teacher is good too. I would like fire crackers, caps and a black board too.

Yours truly,
Billy Joe Friemel.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please remember me as I have tried to be a good boy. I would like a football, some fire works and please remember my little sisters and other little children too. Thank you so much for anything you bring me.

Yours truly,
Lester Joe McCulloch.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. This is my first year at school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Childress. I like her very much. I want you to bring her lots of nice gifts this Christmas, and for me I want a cowboy suit, a wagon and truck and be sure and don't forget my aunt Ethel and uncle Claud, Mema and Owen. I remain,

Your dear little friend,
Dewitt Henderson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I know you are a nice fellow and I try to be a nice boy so I am asking you for some things to play with. Santa Dear, I want a black board, truck and a pair of boots, and that is all. I'll take good care of them and I'll thank you lots.

Love,
John Curd.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am very proud of the things I received last year, and especially the candy. This Christmas I want a pair of boxing gloves, and a Gene Autry gun, and some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Claude Bailey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. I go the Ada Henderson school. Will you please bring me for Christmas a dump truck, a car with a trailer behind it, a little wagon, a tractor, fruit, candies and nuts.

Your little friend,
Alfred Price, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 7 years old. I am in the first grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Childress. I want a

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pedal car and a cowboy suit, some candy, oranges and apples.

Love,
Aubry Lee Morrison.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a wagon, a knife, a watch and a box of cherry chocolate candy, apples, oranges and nuts. That is all. Thank you.

Byron Lambrecht.

Dear Santa Claus:

desk, skates, football and a play doctor's set for Christmas. My little brother is four years old. His name is Charles Norman. He wants a train, a wagon and a telephone. Hope all little girls and boys have a happy Christmas.

Your little friend,
James Harlan Kahler.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 6 years old. Please bring me a doll and doll bed, some candy and fruit. I have a little sister and brother. Please bring her a doll and bed and bring him a truck.

Your friend,
Helen Lewis.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me and my little sister, Billy Ann, a baby doll with rubber pants on, a truck and a telephone, also fruit and candy.

Your little friend,
Bobby Sue Paukonien.

Dear Santa Claus:

Hello, I'm so glad you are coming soon. Please bring me an electric

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TO THE PEOPLE
of CAMERON

"Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" is an expression old and glorious because it is associated with the spirit of the Melody from the bursting Heavens, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Man."

Thinking of Friends and the privilege people gave me to serve in this office, I feel a deep sense of obligation. I want each one to know of my gratitude and hope that you may be Happy Christmas and in the New Year may you have Health and Prosperity in abundance.

W. H. STAFFORD

Tax Assessor and Collector, City of Cameron.

Try as we may, we can think of
no sentiment as significant as the
time-worn, but magnificent expression,

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

**CAMERON
TIRE STORE**



**Greetings
of the Season**

The Year 1938 holds for us the happy experience of Friends and Patrons who made our progress possible. To have found a place of service affords us the opportunity of expressing our appreciation throughout the year.

Now, at Christmas Time . . . the happy time . . . of all the year our sincere desire is to have you know that when you come to observe the Holidays with You and Yours will be our Best Wishes and in the New Year may every good thing be Yours and Health and Happiness in that measure we know you so well deserve.

We carry with us into the Christmas Holidays the happy thought of your Good Will expressed in terms of Patronage and Friendship and we count these among our most cherished remembrances of the year.

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Oboe, Wooden Instrument,**Built in Three Sections**

Often called the hautboy, the oboe is a wooden instrument of conical bore played with a double reed. Built in three sections—"top joint," "lower joint" and "bell"—the instrument contains many keys and bores. Chief improvements are due to research conducted by Barre and Triebert. Like the bassoon, it evolved from that group called pommers, schalmeyes and bombardiers. The tone, peculiarly distinctive without being powerful or obtrusive, is very penetrating. Cambert first used it in the score for his opera, "Pomone," produced in Paris in 1671, relates a writer in the Chicago Daily News.

The cor anglais, not a horn, differs in build from the oboe in that the tube is longer and ends in a globular or pear-shaped bell, and the crook which holds the reed is bent back at an angle. Its tone quality is melancholy and good examples may be heard in the shepherd's pipe melody in Act III of "Tristan," or in the slow movement of Dvorak's "From the New World." Gluck wrote for it in "Alceste" and "Orfeo," but these parts were played by the clarinet because the cor anglais was not yet a member in good standing of the orchestra. Although Mozart, Haydn and Beethoven composed for it occasionally, it did not become a part of the symphonic group until Wagner demanded it.

Consisting of a single beating reed, the clarinet is constructed with a tube pierced with many side holes terminating in a bell. The alto and bass clarinets, however, have keys instead of holes.

Supposedly invented by Denner (Nuremberg, 1690), the clarinet traces its ancestry to the chalumeau. In 1843 Klose completely reorganized the fingering, basing it on the Boehm system. Although Rameau had used clarinets in 1751 in his opera "Acante et Daphne," their place in the orchestra really dates to about 1770, when Mozart employed several in his "Paris" symphony.

Various Kinds of Ships**And Styles of Rigging**

A full-rigged ship is one with a bowsprit and three masts, all masts being square-rigged. Any vessel square-rigged on all masts is termed full-rigged. A barkentine is called such because it is square-rigged on the fore and schooner-rigged on the other masts. Schooner-rigged means fore and aft rigged. Any craft that has more than two masts with the fore mast square-rigged is in the barkentine class. A bark generally refers to a craft that is square-rigged on two or more masts, with one or more masts schooner-rigged. Thus a four-masted bark, according to a writer in the Philadelphia Inquirer, would be square-rigged on fore, main and mizzen masts and schooner-rigged on the jigger masts.

A brig is a ship of other days, although some are found in foreign waters. It is a two-masted vessel square-rigged forward and square-rigged aft; a ship square-rigged on two masts. The hermaphrodite brig is really a brigantine and is a two-masted vessel, square-rigged forward and schooner-rigged behind.

Isle Noted for Loneliness

The loneliest place in the British empire is Tristan da Cunha, the largest and the only inhabited island of a group of three situated in the middle of the South Atlantic ocean and named for a Portuguese admiral, Tristan da Cunha, who discovered these rocks in the sea in 1506. There is but the barest means of sustenance on the island. Fertile soil is scant, being continually washed away by rains, and rodents poach upon the carefully tended gardens. The fish supply is plentiful except in stormy weather, when it is dangerous to venture out on the rolling sea. Tristan da Cunha is an extinct volcano, the crater of which is filled with fresh water. The nearest land is St. Helena, where Napoleon died, 1,320 miles away to the north, with Cape Town 1,400 miles to the east.

Head-Hunters Hate White Men

The head-hunting Marindanim tribesmen of Dutch New Guinea, natives of the island lying north of Australia, practice head-hunting as they have for hundreds of years. The Marindanim, inhabiting the Digoei river district, are the most savage and successful of the head-hunting tribes on the island. They regard all other tribes as implacable enemies and raid them continually for their ghastly human trophies. So intense is their hatred of the white man that few whites ever venture near them. The Dutch government makes persistent but fruitless efforts to stamp out the habit of head-hunting.

Cock o' the Walk

The cocker spaniel does not get his name from his confident manner . . . although that might furnish reason enough for so designating him . . . he is called the cocker because he was primarily used for hunting woodcock . . . incidentally, the springer spaniel comes by his name in much the same manner, says the American Wildlife institute. His antecedents were originally known as "springing spaniels" because of their habit of springing towards game to flush it.

**LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS**

FROM

MARAK SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 13 years old and I am in the fourth grade. I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, air gun, pecans, candy and fruit. Thank you.

Your little friend,
Joe Petru.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I am eight years old, and I am in the first grade. I would like for you to bring me a doll and a wagon for the doll some candy and nuts. Thank you.

Amie Mae Petru.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big doll buggy and a rubber doll and some candy, fruit and nuts. I am a girl eight years old and am in the third grade. Thank you.

Norma Chudej.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you could send me a brand new bicycle. I am 13 years old. Please send me some peanuts, candy and a pocket knife. Thank you.

Otto Janek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 8 years old. Please bring me an air gun and five boxes of BB's. I am a good boy some times. I go to Marak school. Thank you.

Steve Tepera.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am trying to be good and will always continue to be a good boy. Please send me the following presents: football, basketball, air gun, fountain pen, candy, colors and pencils.

Yours Sincerely,
Alex Janicek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to tell you, Santa, what I would like for Christmas. Please send me a rifle, a box of chocolates and some fruit. Thank you, Santa.

Yours Sincerely,
Walter Tyroch.

Dear Santa Claus:

Since I have been very good all the year round, I'd like to ask you, Santa, for a wrist watch and a bicycle. I also like fruit, candy and nuts. My thanks to you, Santa.

Yours Sincerely,
Cecilia Kubacak.

Dear Santa Claus:

I know that you have many more things than you can dispose of. Therefore be so kind and send me a tablet, pencil, colors, paste, baseball, gloves and fire crackers. Also send me a box of sweet chocolates, nuts, a bag full of oranges, grapefruit and apples. Thank you, Santa.

Your little friend,
Stanley Tomek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little girl, and try to study very hard. I am 11 years old, and in the fifth grade. Please be so kind, Santa and send me a printing set, and a bicycle, also some candy, fruit, and nuts. So please don't forget.

With love,
Lucy Krenke.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 9 years old and in the third grade. I would like for you to bring me a bicycle and an air gun, and some pecans, candy and nuts. Thank you.

George Tepera.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fourth grade. I am ten years old. Please bring me some dishes for a doll, candy, nuts and apples. I go to Marak school. I like to go to school.

Your friend,
Jennie Krenke.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy 7 years old. Please bring me a little air gun and 9 boxes of BB's, and bring me also some nuts, candy and a football. I live in Marak. I go to Marak school.

Eugene Marak.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy who is trying to lead the class. I promise to study still harder and be very good, if you just bring me the following gifts: bicycle, a bag of oranges and a nice fountain pen. I thank you.

Sincerely,
Stanley Sipula.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am sure that you are anxious to know what I would like for Christmas. Please bring me a bicycle and a golden chain with a cross on it. I also like fruit, candy and nuts.

With love,
Margie Bartek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good boy in school. And also try to know my lessons every day. So be so kind and send me the following presents: bicycle, box of chocolate candy, rifle and a football.

Your little friend,
Louis Slavik.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please be so kind and send me an air gun and plenty of shots. I also like fruit of every kind and especially nuts. I promise to be good and study still harder. Thank you, Santa.

Your friend,
Anton Jochec.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me the following: a bicycle, some candy, fruit and a tablet. Don't forget, Santa.

Yours truly,
Alphonse Jochec.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a very good boy in school. I am trying to study my lessons. So be so kind and send me the following presents: knife, rifle, football, some candy and nuts.

Yours sincerely,
Laine Stecher.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a ring, a pair of gloves, and a wrist watch. I would also appreciate fruit, candy and nuts. I was very good the whole year round.

Yours sincerely,
Annie Mae Sipula.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am trying to be a good boy, and also to study hard. I am in the sixth grade. Please, Santa, I would like to get for Christmas the following: a shirt, bicycle and a rifle. I would like to have some good candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Joe Tedy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the sixth grade this year. I am studying very hard. Please Santa, I would like to have a knife, baseball, bat, some nuts and a lot of fruit.

Your sincerely,
Norbert Kostroun.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, wrist watch, nuts, fruits and some candy. I have been very good through the year. I also try to know my lessons every day. Love to you, Santa.

Angeline Roznos.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a candid camera. Thanks a lot.

Yours sincerely,
Evelyn S.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please be so kind and send me a bicycle, wrist watch, some fruit, nuts and candy. Wishing you, Santa, a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you.

Your friend,
Vlasta Kopriva.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please be so kind and send me a wrist watch, a ring, some fruit, nuts and candy. I was good all the year round.

Love,
Cornella Bartek.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please, Santa, I also would like some things for Christmas. I am in the fifth grade. Please send me a bicycle, rifle, and a cowboy's uniform, but I don't want to be a governor.

Yours sincerely,
Innocent Mikulec.

First to Use Christmas Tree

The first celebration in the United States at which a Christmas tree was used was in 1847 when Dr. William Muhlenberg of the Church of the Holy Communion in New York city initiated some children into the joys of the Christmas tree.

Hottentot Tree Poisonous

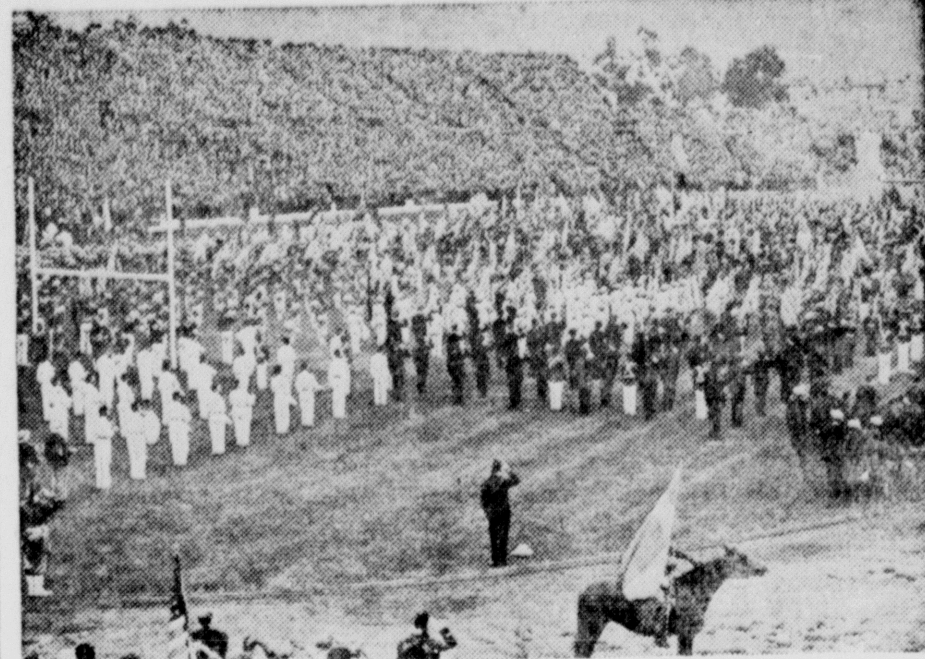
The Hottentot tree is a poisonous tree or shrub which hails from South Africa. Among the Hottentots in Rhodesia, natives are put to death for their sins by the plum of this tree, which is said to resemble our laurel.

Potash Unknowingly Used

Potash was unknowingly used as a fertilizer in America for several hundred years, according to Industrial and Engineering Chemistry. The practice of burning the timber of clearings added potash to the corn and pumpkin patches of the aborigine and colonist alike. Wood ashes, supplying potash, have been used in gardens for centuries; in fact, together with kelp and its ash, they furnished the only potash available until well after the middle of the last century, when production started from the German mines.

If your Radio sounds like a lawn mower, you probably need those Philco Tubes.

Parma Radio Service.



Shriners sponsor the annual East-West all-star game at San Francisco each New Year's day, an event that drew 65,000 football fans last year at Kesar stadium. The game ended in a scoreless tie. Brilliant pageantry featured the between-halves period.

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In the New Year we want to serve you again and we assure you of our deep and abiding appreciation.

**Central Freight
Lines**

Bill Burns, Agent.

Convict, Priest, Dragon**Started the Rouen Party**

The traditional fair of St. Romain is a festival which has been celebrated off and on since the days of Richard the Lionhearted, observes a Rouen, France, correspondent in the Detroit News.

The medieval pageantry which is conceived as a background for the usual exchange of harvest produce from the fruitful farms and orchards of Normandy, recalls an old story of a saint and a dragon which is still considered "gospel" by many of the French peasants.

It seems that St. Romain, Bishop of Rouen, went forth one day to conquer a great Gargoyle which had been indulging an unpleasant appetite for human beings at the rate of two or three a meal. The bishop took with him a condemned convict, thinking, perhaps, that if the dragon were furnished with a satisfactory "hors d'oeuvre" it might be captured while enjoying this first course. But things worked out better than expected; for the Gargoyle was so awed at the sight of the holy man that it immediately became weak enough for the convict to give it a quick push into the Seine. Being strictly a land dragon, it promptly drowned and Rouen was saved.

What is certainly true is that from the Twelfth to the Eighteenth century, a condemned criminal was set free from the dungeons of Rouen every Ascension day in memory of St. Romain and his courageous convict. It involved a colorful procession (including a stuffed dragon), besides banquets and various solemn rites.

Mud Skipper, Fish That**Can Exist Out of Water**

Fish out of water are exhibited in the aquarium's tropical hall in London. They are known as mud skippers. They have been accommodated in a large case furnished with half-submerged branches, miniature gravel beaches, etc.—the better to display the creature's unique habits.

These brackish-water fish have to a remarkable degree succeeded in conquering the land. The eyes being virtually raised upon stalks, the fish can enjoy a clear view of insects living above water line, and often leave the water in pursuit of such insects, pursuing them along tree branches, besides stalking them on land much as might a lizard.

By means of its wide-spreading breast fins and pliant tail the mud skipper can scuffle and even leap with such rapidity as to render its capture as difficult as that of a grasshopper. While out of water the gill-chambers of the fish are kept filled with air.

Prolonged exposure to sun and air would quickly tell upon the eyes of a normal fish. The mud skipper, however, safeguards its organs of sight against drying up by frequently lubricating them, withdrawing them into their sockets and rolling them about, an operation ludicrously suggestive of winking.

Tanning Leather for Soles

Tanning is a slow affair—especially in the curing of leather for soles. The primary function of the process is to preserve the skin and make it at once pliable and wear resistant. The hides of steers, cows and bulls are used to make sole leather. The green hides as they are sent from the packer or slaughter house are "pickled" or salted to prevent decay. At the tannery, notes an authority in the Chicago Tribune, they are sorted into various grades of durability and appearance. The hides are soaked to remove dirt and blood and then dropped into vats containing milk of lime and sodium sulphide to loosen the hairs from the derma or top skin. The hides then are "dehaired" and scraped to remove flesh attached to the bottom of the derma. Finally the skins or hides are placed in vats containing bark juice liquors of varying strengths. This process consumes 90 days. Then the hides are oiled and dried for another two months.

Limburger Castles

In America, Limburg may only suggest cheese, but in Holland Limburg is notable chiefly for its fine churches and monasteries and some of the finest old castles to be seen anywhere.

Hidden Taxes and Clothing

A man could buy a \$50 suit for \$44.76 if hidden taxes were eliminated, according to the National Consumers Tax commission.

Windows Blown Out—Not In

When an explosion takes place near a building, windows are blown out, not in, unless they are struck by flying fragments.

Use of Tomatoes as Food

Tomatoes were not eaten until the middle of the Nineteenth century. Before that time they were considered poisonous.

Buckingham Palace Built in 1825

Buckingham palace, the London residence of Britain's king, was built in 1825 at a cost of nearly \$5,000,000.

Preserve Honoring Jackson

A wildflower preserve honoring Stonewall Jackson, Confederate general, is near Fredericksburg, Va.

Hidden Taxes on Shoes

There are 112 hidden taxes on shoes, roughly equal to the value of the soles and heels.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM NORTH ELM SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl who is eight years old and am in the third grade. I study hard and try to make good grades. I wish you would bring me a toy telephone, a stove, water colors, and pencils. I would like some candy, fruit and nuts. Please, Santa, don't forget to bring my baby sister, Burnice some toys.

Your little friend,
Marge Hrachovy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old and in the third grade. Please, Santa, bring me some dishes, a set of little dolls, a doll trunk, a handkerchief, some sparklers, and fruit, nuts and candy. Remember every little boy and girl.

Your friend,
Mary Ruth Canady.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the second grade. I would like a pair of house shoes, a locket, a Shirley Temple doll, a color book, crayons, pencils and good things to eat.

Your little friend,
Betty Richard.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a fire truck, an aeroplane, a pair of boots, a rain coat, and a top. I would like something to eat and some fire works.

Yours truly,
Delma Coley.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of boots, a harp, a knife, a truck and nuts and candy.

Billy Ray Donahoe.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old and I started to school this year. I wish Santa would please bring me a wagon and a football, also a pair of gloves, some fruit, nuts and candy. I would like some fire works too. Don't forget all the other children.

Your pal,
Joe Lee Bennett.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the third grade. I want a wagon, candy, fruit, nuts and fire works for Christmas.

Your friend,
Henry Richard.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl and go to school. Please bring me a doll that goes to sleep and with curly hair and a little rocker, also I would like a little stove, some nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
Joyce Fay Donaho.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old and am in the third grade. I will be glad when Christmas comes. I want a doll, some little dishes, a piano, and lots of nuts, candy and fruits.

Your best friend,
Joyce Marie Stevens.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eight years old and in the first grade. Please bring me a little train, a little fire truck, a truck, a harp, also plenty of candy, nuts and fire works.

Frank Bryant.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the third grade. Please bring me an air gun, a little car, some marbles, fire works, a top and nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
Charles Hrachovy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a ball and bat, a black board, a gun, some fire crackers and boots, also some nuts and candy. I have been a good boy and don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Yours truly,
Adolph Kostiha.

Dear Santa Claus:

I should like to have a drum, a hula, a pair of house shoes, water colors, a black board, and fruit, nuts and candy. Remember all the other children.

Correne Massey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the first grade and I would like to have you bring me a tractor and plows, a fire truck, a negro boy doll, and a pony.

Yours truly,
Leo Kostiha.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a blackboard and chalk, a little stove, a doll and nuts, candy and fruit.

Geraldine Richards.

When in doubt about your radio let us examine it. You can send it to us. We have built up fair dealing for years.

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SANTA CLAUS FROM HANOVER SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 5 years old. This is my first year in school. I am glad that I can write my own letters to you. I want a Shirley Temple doll. I suppose that is enough for me, but I will thank you for anything else that you will bring me.

Your good friend,
Barbara Hughey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy. I want a ball and bat, and an air gun, I will be looking for you.

Your friend,
Harve Shafer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 9 years old. I am in the third grade. I want a pistol and holster. I want a football too.

With love,
Denson Kirk.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old. I am in the third grade. I want a cowboy belt. I want a Lone Ranger book, a Dick Tracy book, a pair of boxing gloves, and I have been a good boy.

With love,
Charles Dean Welch.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old. I have been a good girl. I want a doll that can suck its bottle, a pair of house shoes, a book satchel, a pair of socks, a dress and a little piano.

With love,
Nadine Black.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a tricycle, a doll that can suck a bottle, and some dresses for my doll. I like pink and yellow colors for its dresses. I am 7 years old and I go to Hanover school. Don't forget the other children.

Your friend,
Fay Partee.

Dear Santa Claus:

I like you. I want a cowboy suit and some cowboy boots. I would like an Indian suit too and a tractor, like I saw in a catalogue and a truck that has nine wheels. I want a fountain pen too. I am six years old. I will be looking for you. I want to see you and your reindeer in Cameron.

Your friend,
Jimmie Gunnels.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a cowboy suit, a bicycle, a wagon, and an air gun. I will hang my stocking by my bed.

Your friend,
Arthur Shafer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want an air gun and a wagon, a bicycle and a cowboy suit.

Your friend,
Charley Hux.

Pitcher Plant Drowns Victims

The greenish purple leaves of the pitcher plant forms a jar or trumpet, half filled with sweetish secretions in which to drown its victims. Curved hooks and sensitive hairs, lining the sides of the death house bend down easily to permit entrance but forbid an exit. In the golden pitcher of the *Darlingtonia Californica* found on the West coast is room enough and liquid enough to drown not only small birds but field mice as well.

The pitcher plants are members of the *Sarracenia* family and succeed well under cultivation. Jack-in-the-Pulpit is a member of the pitcher family.

Most Legible Colors

Although most of the printing and writing of the world is done in black and white, this combination of "colors" is sixth in legibility among such combinations. The most legible colors are black words on yellow surfaces, declares a writer in Pearson's London Weekly. These are the easiest to see under ordinary illumination. Next in order comes green on white, red on white, blue on white, white on blue, and black on white.



To The People of Cameron

It is with a feeling of deep gratitude that I express to the people of Cameron my sincere appreciation for their kindness to me. It is both helpful and reassuring to count among my assets your Good Will and Confidence which I value above all the material benefits of the year.

I count it a privilege to serve you and rededicate my efforts for the welfare of Cameron.

I trust that Christmas finds you Happy and Enjoying the Blessings of Peace and Plenty. In the New Year may you have every good thing my Best Wishes would bring you.

CHAS. C. SMITH

MAYOR CITY OF CAMERON.

CHRISTMAS JOY

To those who favored us in 1938 we send our sincere thanks.

To all the people we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Friends are our greatest asset. We like to count our blessings in terms of your Good Will and since we have enjoyed it in good measure in 1938 we are thankful for the blessings of the year.

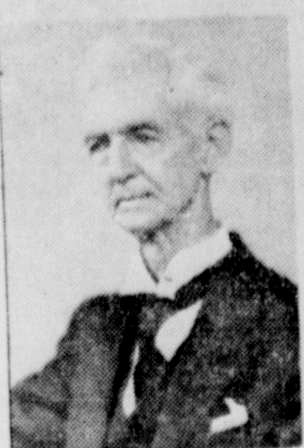
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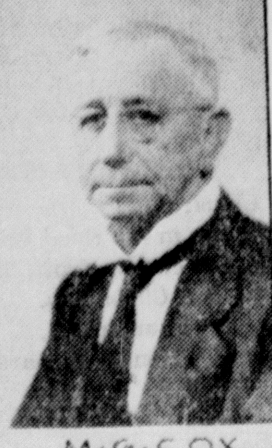
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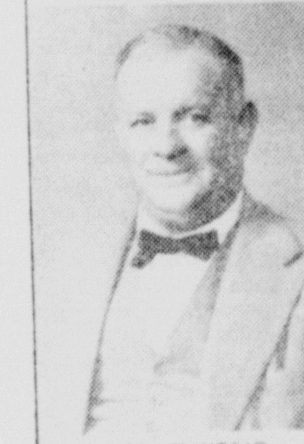
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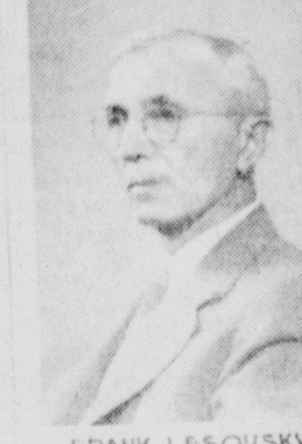
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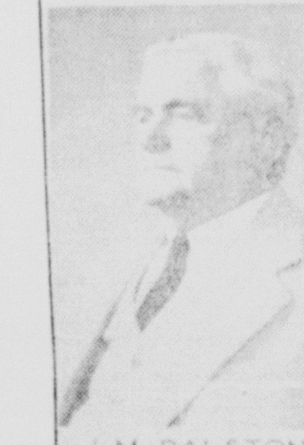
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JOHN WATSON

Here for the first time is printed in the Herald photos of members of the Milam County Bar Association. The Milam County Bar, long famous for its lawyers, has suffered much during the past seven years in the loss by death of distinguished members, notably the late T. S. Henderson, W. A. Morrison, J. K. Freeman, a former district attorney, and W. W. Chambers, late mayor of Cameron and former district attorney.

In all there are eighteen lawyers in Milam county and reading from left to right, they appear in the picture as follows:

Thomas V. Adams of Buckholts who operates an abstract firm and engages in the practice of civil law. Mr. Adams is a native of Scotland.

Roy Baskin, the next shown, is engaging in practice in Cameron, is a former county attorney of Milam County and a member of one of the most prominent families in this section.

E. A. Camp, now mayor of Rockdale, is a native of Georgia. He is one of the most prominent members of the bar and a former member of the Texas Legislature.

Next in line is Emory B. Camp, a son of the Rockdale attorney who also served a term in the Legislature of Texas and is now serving his final term as criminal district attorney for Milam County. At the conclusion of this term he will engage in the practice of law in partnership with his father but will reside in Cameron.

M. G. Cox, a pioneer member of the bar is an active fraternalist and a member of the board of managers of the Knights of Pythias Home in Weatherford and takes an active interest in the affairs of his city, county and state. His only son Joyce Cox, also a lawyer, is general attorney for the Santa Fe Railroad in Chicago.

Beginning the second row is J. W. Garner, a pioneer member of the bar engaged in the practice of law in Rockdale. Mr. Garner is a large land owner in the county, has a large law practice and has held membership in the Association for many years.

Graham Gillis, a former member of the law firm of Chambers, Wallace

and Gillis, is now judge of the 20th Judicial District and also at one time was county superintendent of Milam county.

H. E. Graham of Cameron is a member of the Bar Association but is not engaged in the practice of law at this time. He is a former member of the Texas Legislature and is Texas' largest operator of apiries producing annually thousands of tons of Texas honey which he sells on the markets of the north and east.

O. D. Graham, the only attorney in Thorndale, has been a member of the Bar for a number of years. He is a brother of H. E. Graham and is a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee representing the 13th Senatorial District.

Ed. Gunn of Rockdale, prominent member of the Bar, formerly served as justice of the peace for Precinct 4 at Rockdale and became widely known as the marrying justice. Mr. Gunn enjoys a large practice.

Beginning the third row is Judge Jeff T. Kemp, county judge of Milam county and one of Texas' most widely known citizens. Judge Kemp at one time served as county clerk of Milam county and was also post master in Cameron before he became county judge. Judge Kemp is richly endowed with a wide knowledge of history and has contributed much to educational life in Milam county.

O. L. Kidd, law partner with the late T. S. Henderson in the firm of Henderson, Kidd and Henderson, is engaged in the practice of law in Cameron and is a leading member of the Bar. Mr. Kidd is a former member of the State Democratic Committee, a former member of the Cameron School Board, and has served his community with great distinction.

Frank Lesovsky, now engaged in the fire insurance business in Cameron, although a lawyer does not engage in practice. Mr. Lesovsky is a widely known sportsman and a former member of the Cameron School Board which he served with great distinction.

A. J. Lewis, former Criminal District Attorney, is a native of Cameron, son of the late A. J. Lewis,

who was mayor of Cameron and at one time sheriff of Milam county. Mr. Lewis was formerly a member of the law firm of Morris and Lewis. During his several terms as district attorney he made a record unique in Texas. He now enjoys a large practice in Cameron.

W. A. (Bill) Morrison present city attorney, was associated with his late father, W. A. Morrison in the practice of law and on January 1, will take the oath of office as criminal district attorney for Milam county. Mr. Morrison is one of the youngest members of the Bar Association and has a large private practice at the present time.

Beginning the bottom row is J. M. Ralston, oldest member of the Bar, who served Milam county as county attorney for a number of years and was one of the early mayors of Cameron. Judge Ralston, some years ago retired from the office of justice of peace for Precinct 1, in which place he served for a number of years and is not now active in practice of law. He has a long and distinguished career both as a public official and citizen.

E. A. Wallace, in the early stages of his law practice, was a citizen of Rockdale. For many years he was a member of the law firm of Chambers, Wallace and Gillis and for the past several years has engaged in the practice of law with offices in the First National Bank building. Mr. Wallace is one of Texas' most distinguished Bar members and enjoys a large practice over the state.

W. C. Wallace is associated in the practice of law with his father, E. A. Wallace in the firm of Wallace and Wallace. He has a law degree from Harvard University and is the youngest member of the Milam County Bar Association, and is rapidly making progress in his chosen profession.

Judge John Watson for many years judge of the 20th Judicial District, upon his retirement from that office began the practice of law with offices in the First National Bank building formerly occupied by the late J. K. Freeman. He also served Milam county as county judge and as a young lawyer he came to Texas, settled in Cameron and engaged in practice. Judge Watson, a distin-

guished member of the Milam county Bar, is widely known as a lawyer and a citizen.

Wood of Old Ships Useful

No electric signs but ancient figureheads from the prows of ships hang before the offices of a famous London firm. The company specializes in breaking up old vessels, the figureheads from these having made its offices a familiar landmark for travelers. Because the wood of old ships is well seasoned and colored, it is in demand for many purposes. Some of the timbers which once sailed the seven seas end up as wine-coolers, others as garden furniture to be set among English daffodils.

Stone Age Safety-Pins

Many housewives have blessed that simple yet ingenious boon, the common safety-pin. It was invented early in the last century. But was it? Actually, says London Tit-Bits magazine, it was re-invented—for research in the earthworks of prehistoric peoples has brought to light the modern safety-pin whose usefulness had to disappear for thousands of years before the same idea occurred again to another human brain.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

BEN ARNOLD SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you getting along? Will you please bring me a football and a football cap? Bring me some fire works and fruit, nuts and candy. Bring my mother and father something too. Also my teacher Miss Jewell. I am in the fifth grade at school.

Your good boy,

Dear Santa Claus:

J. C. Komar.

I have been a very good little girl, all the year, so would you be so kind as to bring me the following things: a table and chairs, a black board, a doll and dishes. Please remember my father and mother and all my teachers, especially Miss Jewell.

Your good girl,

Irene Cook.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am fine. For Christmas I want a doll, telephone and a black board and I want some candy, fruit, nuts. Please remember my mother and father and my teacher, Miss Jewell. I hope I am not asking too much.

Your best friend,

Jane Kathryn Robinson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll that is in a box and a ring that is in a box too. I want a great big basketball and some fruit, nuts and lots of candy. Oh, yes, please bring a little ball for my new baby sister, Mary. Don't forget my father and mother, and my teacher, Miss Wimberly.

Your little friend,

Opal Dodd.

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope you are well so you can come to our house Christmas. I want you to bring me a doll, dishes, a desk, a black board, candy, fruit, and nuts. Don't forget my brother, my mother, my father and little sis-

ter. Also my teacher, Miss Jewell. I hope I am not asking for too much.

Your best pal,

Bonnie Maddox.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll for Christmas and some doll clothes. I want a big ball, and a doll buggy. I want some candy and some nuts.

Your friend,

Jo Joyce Mitchell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old. I go to school. Please bring me a football and a cowboy suit. I would like to have a six wheel truck too, please.

Thank you.

Gene Carmichael.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll for Christmas and some candy, some apples too. I will be glad when Christmas comes. When Christmas comes, I will get a doll and some candy and apples for Christmas. Good bye to Santa Claus.

Nadine Coker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy all years so please don't forget me at Christmas. I want a toy air plane, a water pistol, a balloon, with a cat on it, a teddy bear with fur on it, a color book with a box of crayolas, and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Please come to see me because I've been a real good little boy.

Your friend,

Alvin Houston.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring the Ben Arnold school two basket ball teams, some new library books, some knowledge of geometry and general math, and a new school house. Our teacher, Mr. Burton, wants a little colored doll.

Your friends,

Ben Arnold Hi School Students.

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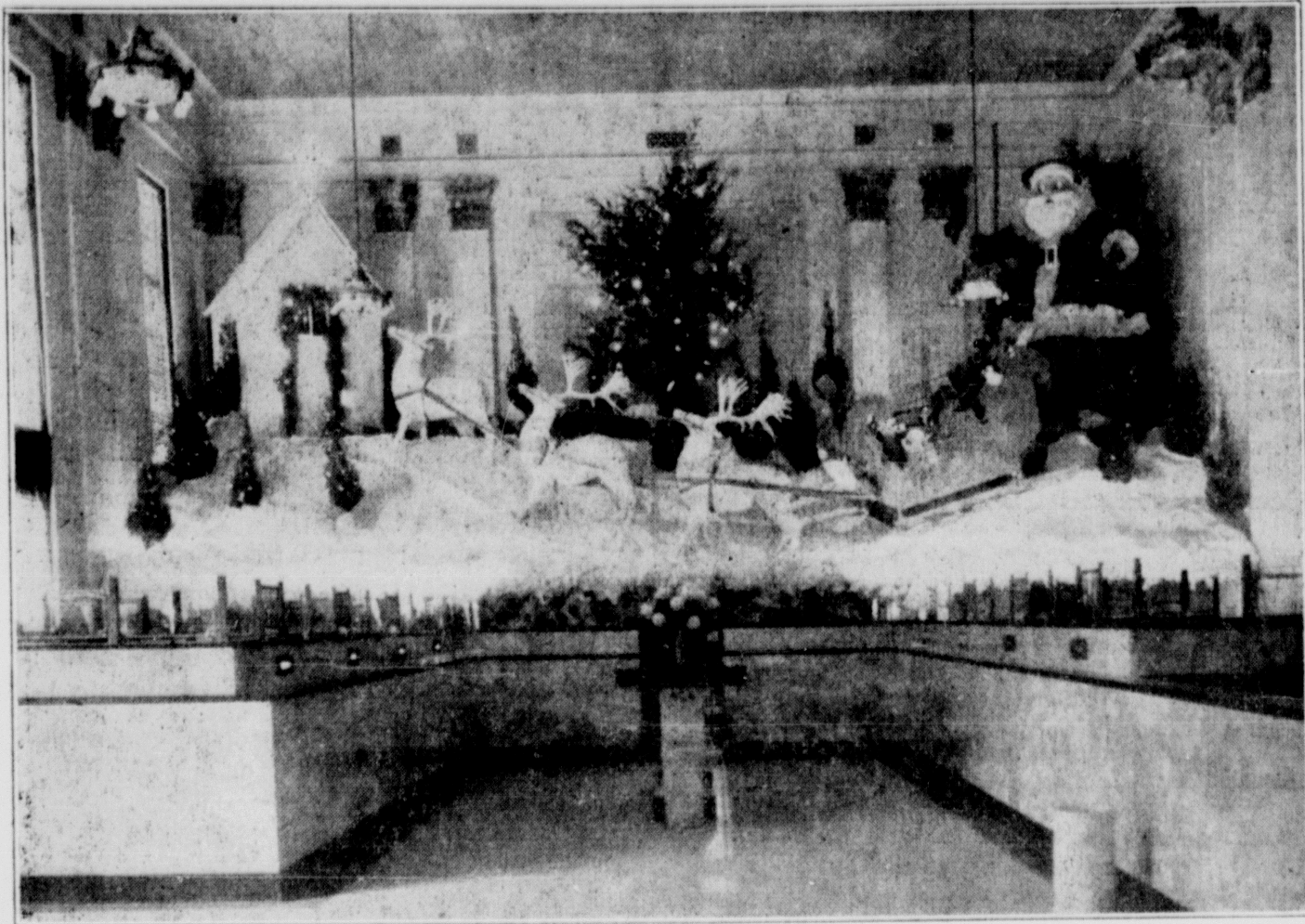


TO THE PEOPLE OF MILAM COUNTY

I am thinking today of the many friends, loyal and true, in Milam County, and all those who have contributed to make this a memorable year for me. I send each one my sincere greetings with the hope that all may be happy at Christmas time and in the New Year may you have health, happiness and prosperity.

DOSS HARDIN

State Senator 13th District.



"Down a Hill Road White With Snow Came Santa;" Citizens Bank is Host

Santa Claus emerging from his northern snow land to make his annual visit to Cameron found a choice background for colorful grandeur in Citizens National Bank. The Spirit of Christmas as it relates to St. Nicholas was never better portrayed than in the 1938 decorations at Citizens National Bank. With a gorgeous background of a snow white hill with green trees, down a path came Santa Claus driving his white reindeer hitched to a sleigh loaded with toys for the children.

This breathtaking scene of Christmas grandeur is a tribute to Mr. Oxsheer Smith, president of the bank who each year has contributed much to the spirit of the season by arranging decorations in his modern banking room that not only invite the attention of the people of this county but is visited by people from over the state including artists who wish to see the decorations. Sharing with the bank officials in this tribute of Yuletide decorations is Glass the Florist. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Glass each year decorate the bank and this year have achieved something good enough to bring visiting florists from Dallas and other places to stand in wonder at the spectacle which for sheer beauty and arresting influence has never been equaled in Texas.

It is interesting to note the magnitude of these decorations. As one enters the lobby of the bank, the scene overwhelms him. The decoration is so arranged as to give the appearance of great distance with Santa Claus emerging from slight shadows along the trail to round a small hillside with his dashing outfit swinging again upward to a church located on a hillside and above it a lighted cross. Dotting the hillside are green trees with lights and in the background are the stars of a glorious night blended into harmony with the white Christmas. The reindeer, said Mrs. Glass are made from paper mache and are flocked, a process similar to painting. The deer

are five feet one-half inches high. The sleigh is made from beaver board and flocked also, the coloring effect being diamond dust and in red. The snow scene is made of Texas cotton also flocked or sprayed with the special preparation to intensify the snow. Mrs. Glass said that the material used in flocking is made from ground silk.

In the background and coming in to soft brilliance can be seen a Christmas eve moon achieved by a lighting effect. The timber used for the hillside foliage is native cedar. Santa is making his way to a country church standing immaculate on a silent hillside above its roof a white satin cross with red light and a soft light is pouring from the windows of the church to spill its warmth on the snow banked above the place of worship. By special arrangement, at intervals comes strains of music from the church dedicated to old familiar hymns sung by Milam county church folks for more than a century.

The garland above the church is made of Norwegian Lichen and autumn oak. Inside the church is a Christmas tree typical of rural observance of the great event of Christmas. Towering amid this spectacle of Christmas decorations stands the gigantic figure of Santa Claus, twelve and one-half feet high. The sleigh is eight feet long and five feet high. There are three reindeer, snow-white with harness of scarlet satin.

Mr. and Mrs. Glass worked for more than two weeks to make the material put into these decorations and to complete the work. It was necessary to construct a large platform, the full width of the banking room, the inside walls of which are twenty-eight feet high. The decorations begin at a height of about six feet and gradually slope upward to the height of approximately eighteen feet giving the appearance of an entire hillside.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a 22 gun, two boxes of bullets, nuts, apples, oranges and candy. I wish everyone else a merry Christmas.

Your friend,
C. B. Gilbert, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a very good boy and like to go to school. Please bring a Gene Autry gun and a football and truck, some candy and fruit and nuts.

With lots of love,
Billie Gene Neeley.

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing to you to let you know that I am thinking of you. Santa, you bring me anything you think I need. Don't forget my family, friends and my teacher.

Your friend,
Janie Burkeen.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a wrist watch, a girl's bicycle and a pair of roller skates, too, beside candies, fruits and nuts. Santa, don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your friend,
Beulah Fay Willeford.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eleven years old and in the 5B class. I want you to bring me a pair of gloves, a knife, an air gun, and a football. Don't forget my mother and father and my brothers and sisters. Don't forget the poor people.

Your friend,
Joe Dean Swanzy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm a little girl ten years old and in the fifth grade. Please bring me a wrist watch and a coat. Don't forget my sister, my brother, my mother and my father, too. Please bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
Laverne Ditto.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a bicycle and a telephone. Please bring my little brother and me some nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Wilma McCall.

Dear Santa Claus:

I like the presents that you gave me last year. I also appreciate the one round of kisses you gave me. I want you to bring me a bicycle so I could ride it all day.

Your friend,
Robert Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl this year. Please, bring me a bicycle for Christmas. If I can't have a bicycle, I want a desk, candy, nuts, fruit and a cake.

Your friend,
Gloria Hearne.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be a good girl this year. Will you please bring me a desk to study on, some nuts, fruit, and candy. I will have my stocking hanging when you get here.

Your friend,
Mary V. Layne.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy ten years old and I want two guns, two holsters, and a belt. Don't forget some fire works, nuts and fruits. Please remember my little brothers.

Your little friend,
Donald Shuemate.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been trying to be a good little girl. I am 6 years old. Please bring me a doll that nurses a bottle, a set of dishes, a ball, some candy and some fruit. Please remember my mother and brothers and sisters.

With love,
Ina Jean Kirk.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a BB gun and some fire crackers, a cowboy suit, a Gene Autry gun, and I want you to remember the other little children and bring them presents. I am going to get mother to bake a cake and I am going to get father to buy a bundle of hay for your reindeer. I f I will be good, will you bring me the things that I have hoped for?

With love,
Charles Claxton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a rubber doll and some little dishes if you please and some fruit.

Your little friend,
Gratia Rae Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 6 years old. I want a doll and doll buggy and my daddy to get well. Please make everyone happy.

Loren Locklin.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM SALEM SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll. I want a book, an apples, an orange and some candy.

Your friend,
Cora Ethel Cain.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I am in the third grade. I will be glad when Christmas comes. I hope you will give me one gun and two gun holsters.

Your friend,
Arthur Kamenicky.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the first grade. I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a doll, some little dishes and a lamp, some nuts, oranges and candy. Don't forget my baby sister, bring her a doll.

Betty Joe Glaser.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy and I want an air gun, marbles, fruit, and a train with electric lights.

Your friend,
William Leon Tucker.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of boots, a bat and ball, and some small toys. Also bring me some nuts, fruits and candy. Please don't forget my baby brother.

Love,
Ernest Orsag.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a stock farm. I want some dominoes and a football, some nuts, candy and fruit. Don't forget my baby brother, bring him a big red ball.

Eugene Polzer.

Dear Santa Claus:

We are twins four years old. We want a purse, two wrist watches, knife and some fruit and candy. Please don't forget the poor children. We have tried to be good.

Your friends,
Edwin and Edna Mueck.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy for I want an air gun for Christmas. I also want a baseball and lots of fruits. I am

Your friend,
Johnnie Tucker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl, and I want you to bring me a bicycle, a doll, a dress, a story book to read, and some apples.

Shirley Spaulding.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy. Please bring me a truck, a caps for my gun, a carpenter set, some nuts, oranges and candy. My little sister wants a set of dishes and a doll. Don't forget the other children.

Franklin Glaser.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want an air gun and some BB's and some fruits and candy. I also want some fire works and I hope you will not forget me.

Denson Crouch.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some tinker toys, a marble shooter and table tennis set. I would also like to have some fruit, candy and nuts. Please don't forget the poor children, and I'll try to be a good boy.

Wilford Polzer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy seven years old. I go to Salem school. Please bring me a tractor, fire crackers, fruits and nuts. Many thanks.

Your friend,
Joe Hundt, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a truck, fire crackers, fruits and candy and don't forget my little sister, Geraldene. Bring her a doll. Thank you.

Vince Hundt.

Dear Santa Claus:

Happy Christmas to you and me! I'm just a small good, jolly boy, 8 years old. I'm in the third grade. I study and work hard all the time. I want you to bring me a bicycle, a baseball and a bat and some fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Loudy Vaculine.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am 9 years old and I am in the 4th grade. I wish you would bring me a rifle. Don't forget the poor children.

Yours truly,
Richard Ruzicka.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me some candy, nuts, and oranges and a football and a football suit, and I want a pair of boots size 4, black. You told me two years ago, please don't forget to bring me the football this year, or I am not going to write to you any more. I am in the fourth grade and I am 10 years old. I want a rifle, roller skates, and a bicycle. Please don't forget the poor children. Are you going to come to Ad Hall at Christmas. I hope you will.

Your friend,
Alvin Gerick.

To Donors Toward Building Planned for Girl Scouts in Wilson-Ledbetter Park:

The Girl Scout Troop Committee having received subscriptions toward a building planned for Girl Scouts, made sincere efforts toward completion of this building.

Altered rulings regarding the government's part in this project prevented the carrying to completion of the Committee's plans.

Unless objection is registered with the Chairman of Troop Committee by December 31, 1938 the balance of funds and materials on hand will be used by the Committee for promotion of Girl Scout work in Cameron.

Mrs. Lottie Bigbee,
Chairman.

Mrs. Gladys Watson,
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Mrs. J. C. Martin.
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Mrs. Nancy Lee Vaughan,
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Why Should We Celebrate Christmas?

By REV. J. P. LOVE
Pastor All Saints Church, Cameron, Texas

The very name we give to the 25th Day of December in every year of course sounds the key-note.

For on that day many years ago according to that most beautiful and entrancing of all narratives, a little child was born in lowly stable in the city of Bethlehem in the land of Judea.

Yet, foretold in prophecy, announced by the archangel Gabriel to the blessed Virgin, heralded to priestly shepherds by an angelic messenger accompanied by the heavenly choir and revealed to wise Gentile sages who were led to him by a star,—this child was truly the Prince of Peace—The Savior of mankind—the Lord of heaven and earth—the King of Kings—the Word of God incarnate.

Because this little Jewish baby was not just an ordinary child, born in the human way, was the gracious gift of God to all who would receive him—because God loved all his earthly children so generously, he gave of himself in order that they all might learn by his example to love one another and to give of their own to each other and thus show their appreciation and love toward their Heavenly Father.

Because God Almighty gave this priceless gift of his only begotten Son on the first Christmas, this day has become the world's most joyful

day—the day when we exchange greetings in his name with our friends and neighbors, when we give to and receive presents from those who are near and dear to us.

Yet, I venture to say without fear of contradiction that the gifts we make at this season to those who are in need and who can in no wise repay, bring us the greatest joy and happiness and benediction.

The old and the new story of Christmas is that of giving for it is not possible to observe Christmas without giving something to some-

body. As we have freely received let us also freely give.

May your Christmas be merry and blessed because you have given to others in the name of Christ your Lord.



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Grant Lumber Company looks back over a period of many years in Cameron and at Christmas time we join heartily in the spirit of the occasion to wish for each one of our friends, old and new, the blessings of peace, happiness, and prosperity in the New Year.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM AD HALL SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you a letter. Please send me a knife and a rifle, a pair of roller skates, a football, a basketball, and some nuts, and some candy. Are you coming to Ad Hall school at Christmas. Don't forget the poor children and my teacher.

Yours truly,
Wm. Earl McDonald.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a bicycle. That is all I want so you will have something left for the poor children. I would like to have a lot of things, but I know that I couldn't get them all. I am in the fourth grade and I am 8 years old.

Your friend,
Vivian Carlton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old and in the third grade at school. I like school very much and I have been a good boy. Dear Santa, please bring me a football, some warm gloves, bat and ball, some fruit and candy and please don't forget all the other little boys and girls. If you do not have enough toys to give to all just bring me a football. I will be satisfied.

Your little friend,
R. L. Frieme.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fourth grade. I like to study. I wish you would bring me some candy some apples and oranges and dates. Don't forget my teacher, bring her something too. And don't forget the poor children.

Your friend,
Annie Mae Mikula.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fourth grade and have been making good grades. My teacher's name is Mrs. Bridgewater. She sure is a good teacher. For Christmas I want a pencil box and a story book. That is all I want. Please don't forget my teacher and the poor children. I am nine years old and have some sisters and brothers. Please don't forget them.

Your friend,
Rose Evelyn Kratz.

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To those who patronized my store I express my thanks and I trust that in the coming year you will favor me again as you have so liberally done in times past.

May Christmas find you enjoying the blessings of peace and of health and happiness.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a bicycle, skates, a watch and a set of dishes and fruit.

Your friend,
Dorothy Fae Davis.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football, a knife and a box of cherry chocolate candy.

Your friend,
Richard Lambercht.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a ball, a bicycle, a telephone, a set of dishes, some candy and some fruit.

With love,
Marilyn Devers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. I have tried to be a good boy this year. For Christmas I want a gun and holster. Please don't forget the fruits, nuts and fireworks. I guess that I will have to close 'till next Christmas, so good bye.

Your friend,
Cone Shuemate.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been good. I gave a toy to the poor people. I have been thinking what I would like to have. I would like a bicycle, a toy car, a pair of boxing gloves, a belt, a knife, a gun and some apples and hickory nuts. We have been making designs about Christmas in art class. I have been working in school and also at home helping my mother and father.

Your friend,
Wendell Price.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you and the reindeer and Old Blitzen, the oldest one? Last Christmas you sent me a football, skates, a gun and candy, a scabbard, a machine gun, and fruit. This Christmas I want a scabbard, a gun, fruit, candy, a baseball and a basketball.

Your friend,
Don Roberts.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to not give me as much as you give the poor children, but you will think I mean children that have lots of money. I mean the poor orphan children. I want some toys. I want a horse, a bicycle and a gun. Merry Christmas to you, Santa Claus.

Your little friend,
Stewart Perkins.

Dear Santa Claus:

How do you like this cold weather? Are't you about to freeze? Are you all right? I surely hope so. I surely have missed you this summer and I will be glad when you come. I

want a doll 3 inches tall and a box of clothes for her. I want a purse. Please bring my little brother a train with a track and when it goes around on the tracks sparks will come out of the top of it. My little sister wants a Dy-Dee doll for Christmas. My other little sister wants nuts, pecans, oranges, apples and niggertoes, and so do all of us. She wants a purse and a doll 13 inches tall too. I guess I had better close because I haven't much more time as the teacher is going to take our papers up. Good bye.

With love,
Dorothy Crawford.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring me a pair of boxing gloves for Christmas. I would appreciate it very much if you did. I hope you bring me candy instead of a switch. I have been a very good boy this year. I hope you bring me hickory nuts, walnuts, oranges and apples, too.

Your friend,
Jack Hearne.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to write to you what I want for Christmas. I want a dresser set, dress, a box of handkerchiefs, a school desk, a chair, typewriter, some apples, oranges and candy and some other fruit. Santa Claus, at Christmas we are going to have a big Christmas tree. I am going to have a good Christmas day, and I will thank you very much if you will bring these presents.

With love,
Mildred Denker.

Dear Santa Claus:

How have you been this winter? How are your reindeers? Why don't you come more often than just once a year? I am going to have mother make a cake for you, and father buy a bale of hay for your reindeer. If I try to be good until Christmas, will you bring me a 410 gun, a horse, a cowboy hat, some candy and fruit?

Your friend,
James Ray Eanes.

Dear Santa Claus:

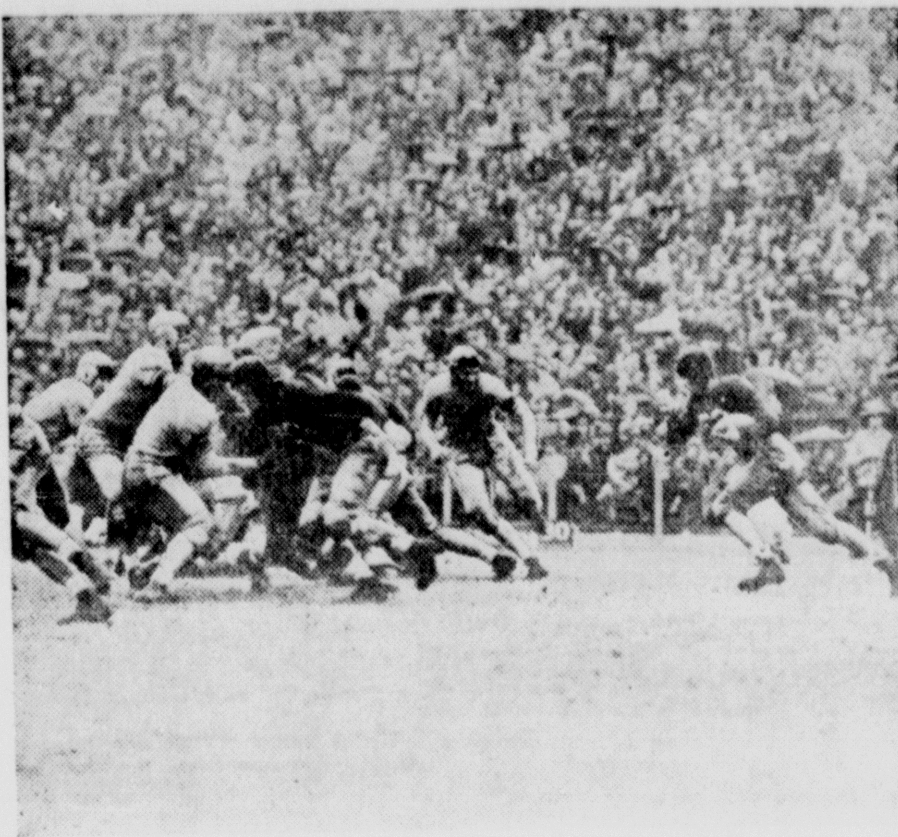
I hope you will be good to the poor children and I will be satisfied with what you bring me.

With love,
Ladis Marek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a streamlined bicycle, a football helmet and football. I want a Lone Ranger suit with the guns and hat. And I want a tommie gun that will make sparks.

Yours truly,
Richard Erle Burke.



Santa Clara beat Louisiana State 6-0 at the New Orleans Sugar Bowl last year. Two other "bowls" attracted attention. At Dallas' Cotton Bowl Rice beat Colorado 28-14 before 37,000 fans, and at El Paso a crowd of 13,000 watched West Virginia nose out Texas Tech, 7-6. Truly, "bowl business" is becoming "big business," and one of the most outstanding sports attractions.



At Miami, Fla., 18,000 attended last year's annual Orange Bowl game where Auburn defeated Michigan State 6-0. Halfback Sitz (No. 11) carried the ball for many of Auburn's gains. The Orange Bowl is fast becoming a major gridiron attraction.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football, a bicycle and a light to go on it. I want some candy, oranges, apples, niggertoes, coconuts and hickory nuts. I appreciate your coming. Thank you for the toys. Mother baked some apple pies and cocoanut cakes for you. I hope you like the pies and cakes.

Your friend,
James L. Foster.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a desk, some skates, and a nice winter purse. I would like to have lots of fruit too, and some candy. I think having a Santa Claus is a very good thing, for I got just what I wanted for Christmas last year.

Your friend,
Imogene Mosley.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to come and bring me a football and a bicycle. Mother will bake you a cake, and I will have your reindeer a bale of hay. I want you to come more than once a year. I am writing this letter in school. I will close now.

With love,
James Gibson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fourth grade. I am 11 years old, and I would like you to come to see my little sister and me. I would like you to bring me some candy and nuts, a bicycle, a purse, skates and some candy and some clothes.

With love,
Irvin Lee McKinzie.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am nine years old and I really don't want but one thing especially, and that one thing is a bicycle. I have wanted one ever since I learned to ride one. That one thing will take up a lot of space where a lot of small things would go. I want you to give all of the boys and girls presents too, just as big or bigger than mine. I want them to be just as happy as I will be if I get a bicycle on Christmas morning.

With love,
Marion Brewer.



Cameron Theatre
December 31



Cameron Theatre
December 29 and 30



A Merry Christmas To You

Life's major enjoyments are made possible by Friends. At this peculiar time of tender emotions the thought of those who have played so large a part in the success of our business during the year is deep and abiding.

We like to think of our assets in terms of friends. Good will expressed on that night when Desert Stars pointed the way to the Manger of Humility has prevailed to reclaim us

in every age of the world. Good Will is the inexhaustible fund from which we draw life's greatest riches.

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Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ball and a doll. Bring me a school set, too, please. My sisters are writing to you. We will thank you for what you bring.

Your friend,
Flora Jane Coker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a big doll, also candy, fruit and nuts. Watch out when you start down the chimney and don't fall in the fire. Thank you very much.

Yours very truly,
Luvenia Bryant.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the fourth grade. I am 9 years old. Please bring me a cap and a scarf and a pair of gloves, also some ribbons. I have a good time on Christmas day. I want some candy, fruit, fire works, and nuts, please, Santa.

Yours truly,
Pauline Malone.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing to tell you what I would like for Christmas. Please bring me a big rubber doll and also a pair of gloves. Please bring me some candy, apples, oranges, grape-fruit and nuts. Thank you.

Your friend,
Alma Pevehouse.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle or a red wagon. I would like some fire crackers, some apples, oranges and candy. Thank you for whatever you bring me.

Your friend,
Arthur Haynes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the third grade. I would like for you to bring me a pair of bed room slippers, some slacks, a book satchel, some nail polish, some fire works, fruit and candy. Thank you.

Your friend,
Elda Mae Smith.



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Your girl,
Billye Jeane Angell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old. I want you to send me some fire crackers and apples, oranges and candy. I have two brothers and one sister. My teacher's name is Mrs. Linam.

Your friend,
Ernest Sapp.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old. Please bring me a rubber doll and a set of dishes. Ollie Fae, my little sister wants a doll too. And my little brother, Thomas, wants some fire crackers and my brother Robert wants some candy, apples and nuts.

Bring my mother and daddy something too.

Your friend,
Doris Weathers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old. Please bring Frank, my brother, a little car. Please bring me a rubber doll and a nipple. I want some clothes too. Please bring me some ribbons and a set of dishes. I would like fruit, nuts and candy, also.

Your friend,
Addie Malone.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy and I am in the fourth grade. I go to school, every school day. I am 9 years old. Will you bring me a bicycle. If you do not have a bicycle, bring me a watch that has the lone ranger in it, and some candy, nuts, fire crackers and Roman candles. I hope you will bring me these things. My little brothers name is Donald. He wants a little bicycle for Christmas. Thank you for all you bring me.

Your friend,
Thomas Thweatt.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am nine years old. I am in the third grade. I want you to bring me a doll and bring me some doll clothes. Please bring some nuts and a little stove, and a bed, also bananas, and some apples and oranges. Thank you for everything.

Your little friend,
Veda Mae Miller.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a pair of boots, a target, fruit and candies. Thank you.

Yours truly,
Joe Bryant.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the third grade. I am eight. Please bring me a pair of overshoes and bring Shirley Dean, my little sister, a doll and candy, oranges, apples and nuts. Please bring me and Shirley Dean some doll clothes and I would like some slacks. Will you please bring mother three dresses and bring Shirley Dean some Corduroy overalls and two dresses and fire crackers and candles. Thank you.

Your little friend,
Betty Sue Hairston.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will thank you if you will bring me what I ask for. I want a little fiddle, some fruit, apples, oranges, candy, grapefruit, nuts, and also a pair of gloves.

With love,
Ruth Pevehouse.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you a letter because it is almost Christmas. I am not asking for much this time. I want a wrist watch, a manicure set, a lot of candy and fruit. My birthday is the 22nd of December. Bring other little boys and girls toys.

With love,
Alta Bryant.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I go to Maysfield school. I want you to bring me a red wagon, an air gun and a cap gun. Thank you for these things.

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy ten years old. I go to Maysfield school. I want you to please bring me some fire works and some fruit and candy and nuts. Please bring me an air gun and bring my brother and sisters something.

Your friend,
Billy Beall.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old. Please bring W. C., my brother, a ball and bring Curtis, my older brother, a watch. Please bring me a big doll and some doll clothes. Please bring us some candy, apples, oranges, and some cake. Please bring me a buggy and fire crackers. Thank you.

Your little friend,
Aileen Phipps.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old and in the fourth grade. Will you please bring me a little table and a chair, and a great big Shirley Temple doll. I also want a buggy.

Yours truly,
Mary Lou Massengale.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 8 years old. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a cowboy suit, a watch, some candy and some fruit.

Your friend,
Billy Holloway.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be a good girl all the year. I don't want much. I am 10 years old. I want a volley ball

and a net, a pencil box, colors, and a little typewriter. My brother wants a basket ball and two goals. My little sister wants a doll and buggy. Please don't forget my sweet teacher, Miss Cooper. I also want a lot of games, a ring, and a bracelet. Bring all the other little boys and girls something too. I want some nuts and all kinds of things you shoot with.

With love,
Betty Jo Thweatt.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big pretty doll that looks like a real baby a few clothes for it to wear, some fire works, nuts, fruit, and candy. Please be good to all the other little children.

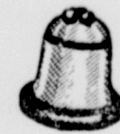
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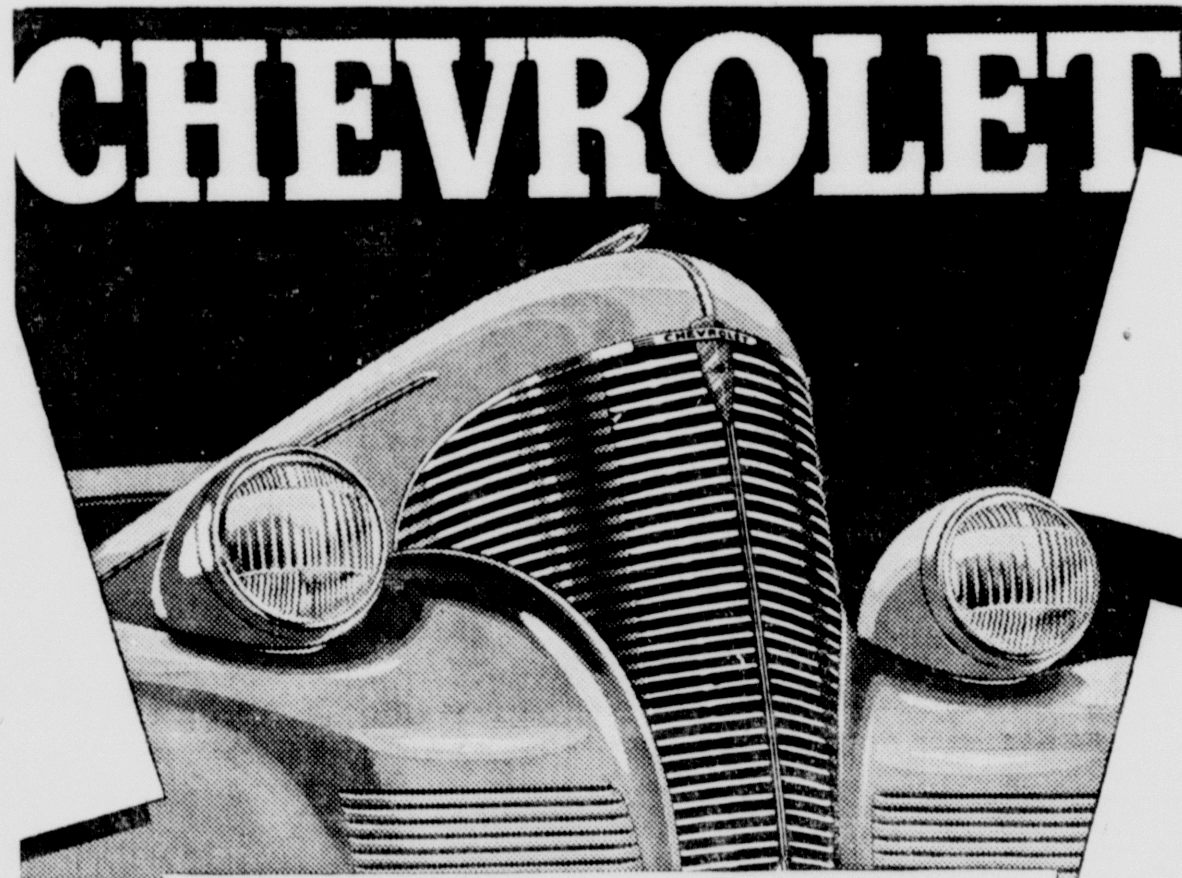
When I count the blessings of the past 12 months and call to mind the Friends who have so loyally expressed their confidence in me, my gratitude would go further than this expression of Thanks and Good Will. There is every reason for me to be happy this Christmas.

I sincerely trust that this Greeting finds you Happy. In the New Year you will have my best wishes for Health and Prosperity each day. Good Will and Friendship are the greatest gifts and I send you these in large measure.



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County Judge, Milam County.



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TO THE PEOPLE OF CAMERON

I am not unmindful of the many who have shown their friendship and good will. At Christmas time I want each one among our population to know that I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you as your Secretary and Treasurer.

It has been my privilege to hold this office for a fourth term. I am proud of the record I have made for you in this place.

When you come to celebrate Christmas, remember my Best Wishes are with you and I covet for you all the blessings of a prosperous and healthful year in 1939.

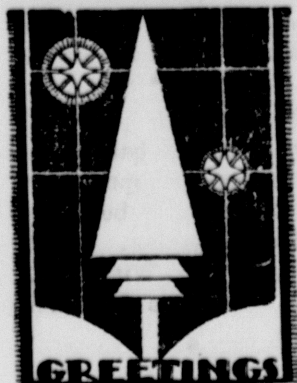
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We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a country doctor set and a Dydee doll, a blackboard, a bicycle, a set of dishes, a telephone, and a stocking filled with fruit and a pair of skates.

Your friend,
Boots Bailey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle.

Your friend,
James Cary Setzer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a scooter, skates, a roller desk and a Shirley Temple doll.

Your friend,
Pearline Louise Reynolds.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a pocket knife, a pair of chaps, some fire crackers, a holster and a watch.

With love,
Carrol Little.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, some fire crackers, candy and fruit.

Your friend,
Roy Setzer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like you to bring me a doll and clothes with it, and a sewing machine. I would like best of all a scooter. If you do not have enough toys to go around just bring me what you can.

With love,
Ruth Haigh.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want an air gun, two Lone Ranger guns, a football, skates and a cowboy suit and some nuts and fruit.

With love,
Robert Holland.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a piano, a doll house, a set of dishes, a farm, a ball, a pair of skates and a scooter. Please bring a box of candy and some nuts, some apples and oranges. That is all I want.

Your friend,
Helen Holpoin.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a wagon, a football and two Lone Ranger guns.

Your friend,
Earl Winston.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a pair of skates, a watch, a corduroy suit, and a box of fruit and a box of candy.

With love,
Gloria May Gibson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle, a football and a Lone Ranger gun and a suit.

Your friend,
Charles Riola.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a bicycle, a foot ball, an air rifle and cowboy suit and a knife.

Your friend,
Billie Eugene Claxton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle for Christmas and a cowboy suit. I want a rifle and six boxes of candy. I want a package of fire crackers. Merry Christmas to you.

Your friend,
Joe Simicek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a color book, some story books, a Lone Ranger gun, a scabbard, a pair of chaps and a hat.

Your friend,
Lloyd Buff.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a typewriter and a pair of skates. And do not forget my sister and brothers and mother and daddy. Please bring us some nuts, too.

With love,
Marjorie Sheldander.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a watch, skates, a corduroy suit, a bicycle and some fruit.

With love,
Bobbie Pearl Maddux.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle, a scooter, a pair of skates and a knife and a Lone Ranger gun.

Your friend,
John Weems.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want roller desk, a blackboard, skates, a doll, a piano, some fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Doris Ann Clark.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a doll bottle, a box of fire crackers, and some sparklers.

With love,
Wanda Louise Cookston.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a piano, a buggy, a purse, some nuts and some fruit and candy. My house number is 1306 North Travis. I like to go to school. My mother wants some stockings. Do not forget my brother and sisters.

Marjorie Dell Foster.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a pretty doll, a wrist watch, a nurse set, fruit, candy, nuts and a pair of skates. I hope that all the children get some toys.

With love,
Louise Gibbs.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a bicycle, a Lone Ranger gun, a scooter, a knife, a football, a watch and soldiers.

Your friend,
Dean Shelton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a cap pistol and my little brother wants an airplane. I want you to know that I am in the third grade. I am 8 years old and my little brother is 4 years old. I want a French harp and my little brother and I want some candy.

Your friend,
Jack Hailes.



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To wish for each one of my Friends and Patrons the best the Season affords and to wish also that in the New Year they may inherit in large measure the blessings of Peace, Prosperity and Happiness, does not express all the gratitude I hold for those who made my business succeed in 1938.

Your Good Will, Your Confidence and Your Friendship are my best remembrances of the year.

In celebrating the Happy Christmas Season I want each one to know that my thoughts are with them that all may be Happy and have the blessings of Peace and Plenty.

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Sincere Greetings

1938 brought to our store many new Customers and Friends. It was a year of expansion for us. We moved to our new location where greater stocks are carried and better service can be rendered the people.

As we approach Christmas and the New Year we are conscious of a deep obligation to those whose patronage has made our progress possible. We want each one to know that we appreciate their Good Will.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM BUCKHOLTS SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am telling you what I want for Christmas. I want a black board, sewing machine and a dresser. I hope you will be able to come to the tree. We want you to go to our house. Saturday, I will see you in town. We have two plays for Christmas. At Sandy Ridge they had 12 plays for Christmas.

Your friend,
Lorraine Koenig.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you this year? I want a ball, a new pair of shoes, a picture book, a lot of fruit, and some candy. Don't forget my little sister. She wants a tricycle and a doll. Please fill her stocking.

With love,
Aline Clark.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball, bat and a left hand glove for Christmas. Bring me some candy, nuts, and fruits. I am in the fourth grade and I like to go to school.

With love,
Kennard Lange.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I think I have been a good girl this year. My name is Dorothy Kirschke. I hope you come to my house this year. I want you to bring me a box of candy, oranges and a fruit cake. I haven't missed a day in school. I try to go every day I can.

Your friend,
Dorothy Kirschke.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a football, a wagon, and an air gun. I go to the Buckholts School. My name is Robert Vance. I am in the fourth grade. Santa, I have been a good boy this year. I know you will fill my stockings with fruit, candy and many other things too. Please do not forget my little brothers and sisters.

Your friend,
Robert Vance Hopkins.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle. I am in the third grade. I am nine years old. I have been a good boy. And don't forget the poor children. Don't forget my mother, father, brother and sister. Bring me oranges, apples, and that will be all this Christmas.

Your love,
Melvin James Malovets.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you this year. Please bring me a ball, ring, wrist watch, and a manicure set. I would be very much pleased if you would bring them

Last year I got a doll, some clothes for her, a set of dishes and some sewing things. I have a lot of fun in school. I am sewing and doing a lot of other things too. I am pretty smart in school but Olivia Lehmann is smarter than I am. I have been taking tests but I am through now.

Yours truly,
Dorothy Mae McLain.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an air gun and a pocket knife.

Your friend,
Robert Krupicka.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a piano. I want to play it. If you can not bring it, I want anything you can bring. I would be pleased with anything. I have been going to school. I like my teacher very much. I have been a good girl. Write me soon.

Yours truly,
Bobby Dell Sanly.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you this year? I will be glad when the 25th of December comes. That good old Christmas comes then with those beautiful toys hanging on the tree. Santa, do you know what I want. I want a ring and two books. Now I am going to look for the ring and the two books Christmas. Santa, we are going to Houston, Brenham and Galveston. We are going to have a good time Christmas.

Yours truly,
Olivia Lehmann.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a bicycle, wagon, boat, ball and bat, apples, candy and some oranges. I have been a good boy. I had six tests this week.

With love,
M. J. Ermis.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl. I want you to send me a set of dishes, some fruit and candy. I want you to send my little baby sister a doll and a little wagon.

Your little friend,
Irene Hundle.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some dishes, a bicycle, doll, wagon, black board, and some socks. I make good grades in school. I have a good teacher. We are making a moving picture show. We are making books with pictures in them. My book is orange with red letters. I am in the third grade.

Your friend,
Irene McClain.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you bring me a bicycle, a football, a baseball and a bat with it, some candy, some fireworks, a pair of gloves and a pair of stockings. And of course, you would fill my stockings. We had our spelling test today. I missed one word and made 96. It was a passing grade. I don't know what I made in the other tests I took.

With love,
Edwin Dusek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a dress, colors, pencil, tablet and construction paper, candy, nuts, oranges, bananas and apples. I guess that will be all. I have enough money to buy something else. Come to see me, Santa Claus. I am a good girl. I am in the third grade.

Your friend,
Evelyn Chudej.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to school. I am in the third grade. For Christmas, please bring me a coat, hat skates and a doll that can walk and talk, apples, oranges and bananas. I like the presents that you give for Christmas, Santa.

Your friend,
Doris McCrummens.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a doll with four curls and one that cries. I want some fruit, too. That is all I want for Christmas this year. We had a spelling test day before yesterday. I don't know what I made on my test. I know what I made in geography. I made 80 in it. I have been a good girl so far this year. I am in the 3rd. I hope I will pass to

the 4th next year. Don't forget mother, father, sister, and don't forget my two brothers.

With love,
Irene Posival.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you getting along? Please bring me a ball, some dishes, and a coat. Christmas will be here pretty soon. We had tests Tuesday. I am in the third grade in the Buckholts school. I like to go to school. I am 9 years old.

Ethleen Abel.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a little doll, a little ball and some dishes to play with. Please bring some oranges, pecans, apples, and some candy. I want you to fill my stocking for me. I am in the third grade. I like school. I am a good girl too, and please don't forget mother and father.

Your little friend,
Helen Spurek.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ball and bat, and anything else you want to for Christmas. I am in the third grade. Do not forget my mother, daddy, brother and sister.

Love,
Denson Fuchs.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you getting along? Please bring me a train, an air gun, a milk truck, a tractor, a bicycle and a pair of skates. I made a good grade this year and I have fifteen dollars and twenty-five cents. I am in the third grade. How are you getting along at the North pole, Santa?

Your friend,
A. W. Zajicek, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Since I have a new bicycle I do not want much for Christmas. I'd like to have an air gun, fruit, candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Charles Freddie Tomasek.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me anything you will for Christmas. I've been a good boy this year. Visit all the poor children.

With love,
Otto Koenig.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy. I'm in the third grade. Will you please bring me an air gun, candy, fire works, fruit, and bring all the other children some pretty toys, to. Don't forget mother, father and my sister.

Your friend,
Lorenz Fuchs.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you getting along? Is it very cold up there? I wish I could come to see you. Please put a lot of toys in my stocking. Please bring me a scooter, an air pistol, and an electric train. In Houston I saw a cowboy suit. It had a vest, a hat, a rope, chaps and a gun with a hols-

ter. In Houston, I saw an electric train. It had lights, too.

Your friend,
Albert Ernest Flathmann, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball, a bat and a bicycle for Christmas. I hope you will give all the other little boys that have been good something.

With love,
Leslie McCrummens.

Please bring me a bicycle and a 22 inch doll, Shirley Temple book, and some oranges, candy, apples and nuts.

Santa, I am a little girl ten years old and I am in the fourth grade. I am trying to make good grades. I hope I get everything I want. Will you please bring me that? I wish you would. And don't forget my sister, mother and daddy.

With love,
Leona Zajicek.

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Penguins Good Husbands;**Affectionate With Mates**

Of all the strange birds that inhabit the earth, the emperor penguin, which breeds on the rocky shores of the Antarctic regions, is one of the strangest.

The penguin is the largest of the wingless and flightless swimming birds, the adult standing about 3½ feet high and weighing around 90 pounds. He has a small black head and a strong pointed beak. His back is black, too, and his abdomen is white. His short clumsy legs are feathered down to his webbed feet and in place of wings, he possesses a pair of flippers which enable him to swim under water for a long time.

Because they stand so erect, penguins may be mistaken for human beings when seen from a distance, writes Burt Hause in Our Dumb Animals. They behave like humans, too. When making love, the male struts proudly around the female in order to show off his good points and manly bearing. Then he suddenly stretches out his neck and touches his beak to hers as though in a kiss.

Penguins are also very inquisitive. While swimming far out at sea, they will draw close to a passing ship and inspect it like a naturalist inspecting the bones of some prehistoric animal. Misery loves company and, like human beings, a depressed penguin seeks companionship. During the moulting season when he loses his feathers, he invariably leaves home to find those of his flock who will sympathize with him.

Happily, divorce suits are unknown to a penguin family. With them, love is eternal. Even after wooing, the husband is constantly kissing his wife with his beak and embracing her with his flippers at the most inopportune moments.

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Imperial Rome once held back the menace of savage German tribesmen with a predecessor of the Maginot line. The ancient fortified line was on what is now German soil, however, and was located considerably to the east of the present French defenses.

The Roman line, known then and since as the Limes Romanus, states a writer in the Kansas City Star, started at the village of Rheinbrohl on the Rhine, about 20 miles below Coblenz and on the opposite bank of the river. It ran 200 miles over hills and through valleys, with its other end at Eining on the Danube. Thus it protected the Roman-held territory on the interlacing headwaters of the two streams. Below its two downstream ends, the broad rivers, patrolled by Roman galleys, were deemed sufficient protection for the empire's frontiers.

The Limes Romanus consisted simply of a strong timber palisade when it was first laid out. Later, at the end of the Second century A. D., the palisade was replaced by a continuous earthen wall, reinforced at intervals by stone "castella" or towers.

Heaviest Man on Record

Daniel Lambert was the heaviest man on record. Born at Leicester in 1770, he was, during his youth, of normal build and fond of exercise, but began to put on weight with amazing rapidity in his early twenties. In 1806, on deciding to exhibit himself in London a special vehicle was constructed for his conveyance there. He was 5 feet 11 inches in height, and, to quote his epitaph, says London Answers magazine, "he measured three feet one inch round the leg, nine feet four inches round the body, and weighed 52 stone, 11 lb. (14 lb. to the stone)." At his death it was found necessary to take down the window and wall of the room in which he lay to allow of his being taken away. His coffin was 6 feet 4 inches long, 4 feet 4 inches wide, 2 feet 4 inches deep, and consisted of 112 superficial feet of elm. It was built on two axle-trees and four wheels and was rolled down a slope to the bottom of the grave.

Life of a Needle

The neat and nimble needle is a very complicated piece of work which from first to last takes nine days to produce. Special steel wire from Sheffield is cut into lengths, each length making two needles. After being made perfectly straight, says London Tit-Bits Magazine, the length of steel is mechanically sharpened at both ends, then flattened in the middle to take the double eyes, punched out either by machinery or by hand—an expert hand-puncher getting through 25,000 a day. The double needle is divided into two, and the eyes smoothed and polished by hand. The soft wire needle now has to be hardened, tempered and finally polished all over ready for use.

Stephen Collins Foster Memorial

There is a Stephen Foster memorial building in Pittsburgh. A chapel was erected on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh to the memory of the composer. It is known as the Stephen Collins Foster memorial of the University of Pittsburgh. It is located on the university's Cathedral of Learning triangle, on Forbes street facing Schenley park. The chapel, which seats 700 persons, is built in Gothic style of Indiana limestone. The left wing of the building houses the composer's relics.

**LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS**

FROM

ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you and your reindeers? I hope you are all right. I wish you would come more than one time a year. I am 11 years old. I want you to come to see me. I am going to be good. I want you to bring me a B. B. gun, fire crackers, a Gene Autry gun. Will you bring the things I told you in my letter?

With love,
Thomas Claxton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I like to go to school every day. I get my lessons every day. I do not play when I can be getting my lessons. If mother wants me to do anything, I will do it. Santa Claus, will you bring me a twin sweater, and a pair of gloves? Will you bring my sister a doll and a set of dishes for Christmas. Santa Claus, will you bring my little brother a gun and dump truck? Will you bring my little baby brother a rubber car and rubber doll? Santa Claus, I will ask you to bring all of us some candy, nuts and apples, oranges and bananas. Will you bring my mother a dress and daddy a suit of clothes? A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to you!

With love,
Ethel Marie Neeley.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of boots, a pair of jodspurs and a B. B. gun.

With love,
Hortense Nabours.

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope you will not think that I am asking too much of you if I ask you to bring me a horse for Xmas. The reason I want a horse is because I just love to ride horses, and I hope you can bring me one. I have a bicycle which I like very much. By the way do you get your pretty red suit dirty when you come down the chimney?

Be sure that none of your reindeers are sick when you come to see me. You know I often wonder why you have such a jolly face. You always look so happy. Well, I am afraid that I will have to close my letter now until I see you. Good bye.

A. J. Triggs.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish if you please, you would give me a chemical set and a cowboy suit with two guns and a scabbard. If you please, I would like a new football suit that would last me at least a year or two. My first football suit lasted me one year, so that my little brother can't even wear it. How are you? Just fine. That's good. Well, I had better be going, as

my mother is waiting for me. So long.

Yours truly,
David Crawford.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been drawing a picture of you, but when it was being colored it got messed up. Please give me a telephone set, a typewriter, a pair of boots, a microscopic set, and a radio. I have tried to be a good boy and help people all this year. I hope that you aren't too busy making toys to read our letters. Everyone wrote you one in our class. I hope that you can give everyone what he wants.

Ralph Chambers.

Dear Santa Claus:

All I want for Christmas is a pair of skates, a dress, a hat, some candy and a few nuts. I hope you will go to see all the poor children.

With love,
Margie Brown.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to write you some lines of poetry. Here they are:

I hope you are young
And not so old
I hope you are warm
At the south pole.

I hope you get your work done
Very, very soon
Then help the poor children
And then look at the moon.

Yours truly,
Richard Williams.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy this year. I play ball with my little brother and big brother. I help my mother too. I stay out until five o'clock nearly every evening playing football. For Christmas I want a knife and a football.

Love,
Bruce Price.

Dear Santa Claus:

I can hardly wait until Christmas comes. I am writing you to tell you what I would like to have, but I think it is a little too much myself. I want a pair of skates, a big rubber ball, a little set of blue dishes, a little machine, and some candy, orange, nuts and candy and apples.

I am ten years old and in the fourth grade. I started to school when I was seven years old. I have been going to Ada Henderson school every year. It will make me very happy if you would give the poor children something. I hope they will have a merry Christmas, and I also wish you a merry Christmas.

With lots of love,
Dorothy Sue Mitcham.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old and in the fourth grade. I have been a good boy all the year since last Christmas. I hope you haven't been watching me, for you might have seen me fight about once or twice. I don't want much for Christmas. Well, I want a football, a light for my bicycle, a pair of boots, a jacket to wear, and a hat. I think you ought to ask my brother what he wants, too. My brother is four days old. I guess he would like to get something for Xmas. I hope your reindeers or airplane can get to my house, so you bring these things to me.

Your good little boy,
Byron Alexander.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am nine years old. I go to school. I am a boy. I have tried to be a good boy so I could get some toys. This is what I want for Christmas. I want a football, boxing gloves, a bicycle and a game.

Your little friend,
Sonny Byrd.

Dear Santa Claus:

I live in Cameron, Texas. I am ten years old and have a little Boston terrier. His name is Pal. My uncle has a horse that he has raised for me. She is a bay. My uncle says she is very beautiful. (I hope so.) Please bring me a saddle, bridle and blanket for my horse. I hope you will have enough toys to go around the world. Please remember my little sister, Jane, with a tricycle, and a doll with pig-tails, and a box of Snow White dishes.

Your friend,
Edward Flinn.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old, and my name is Rosemary Luckett. I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a Snow White doll, a little set of dishes, a sweater, doll clothes and fruit and candy. Please do not forget the other children, less fortunate than I am.

Your friend,
Rosemary Luckett.

Dear Santa Claus:

I live in Cameron, Texas. My name is Richard Johns, and my address is 602 East 11th Street. I am ten years old, and I am in the fourth grade. I

am a good boy. I want a pair of boxing gloves, wrist watch, some fruit, nuts and some candy.

Your friend,
Richard Johns.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl nine years old, and I have been good all year, so please bring me all I want. I want a necklace, a doll dresser, some story books and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Please do not forget the other children.

With lots of love,
Almarie Brady.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you and your reindeers? I have tried very hard to be a good girl and hope to always try. I want a lot of things for Christmas, but of course I can not have everything. If I would wish for a lot of things, you would not have enough things for every little poor child or for the poor little orphan children, so I will only

ask for a few things this Christmas. I want a pair of skates, a wrist watch, a pair of house slippers, and a dressing robe. I hope you will not forget the little poor children, or the poor orphan children, or me.

Lots of love,
Constance Euline Grubbs.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am very happy because Christmas is near. I love Christmas time very much. I am a little girl ten years old. I would like for you to bring me a Snow White Doll, house coat and a pair of house shoes. I would also like for you to bring me candy, nuts and all kinds of fruits. I want you to remember the poor children and give them what they would like for Christmas. I would be very happy if you would bring me what I would like.

Your loving friend,
Carolyn Brock.

**To The People of
Milam County**

I remember with a feeling of deep appreciation and gratitude my friends throughout Milam county on the occasion of this Happy Christmas Time.

For all your favors I extend my sincere thanks. I hope this sincere expression finds you happy thought will be there with You and Yours. and when you observe Christmas Day my best

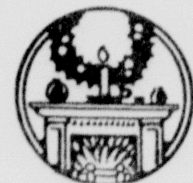
In the New Year I want each one to have everything good my gratitude would bring you.

PENN WOLF

District Clerk, Milam County.

**JOYOUS
YULETIDE**

Mere words cannot begin to bring you the many good wishes which we hold for you and your family. As a tiny token of our high regard for your patronage and friendships during the past year, and as a renewed pledge of the service which we constantly strive to offer, may we take this occasion to send you our very best wishes for a happy Christmas and a New Year filled with all the good things of life.

**Cameron Rubber
Company****W. F. FORD, Mgr.****Greetings of
The Season**

The best remembered part of the Old Year's records are the friends who shared with us the fortunes that came our way.

TEXACO products made new friends and retained old ones and we are deeply grateful for the appreciation thus shown our Agency in Cameron and Milam County.

Let Texaco products help you again in 1939.

CAMERON AGENCY

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL
W. E. GAITHER. W. B. SKELTON



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

FROM
ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Grady. I live in Cameron and am asking for a bicycle, some fruit, and some nuts this Christmas. Please don't forget the poor children.

Love,
Grady Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade. I want a Charley McCarthy book, Snow White doll and a box of candy.

Your friend,
Melma Grace Swift.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade, and I want you to bring me a scooter, a big ball, a telephone, a color book and some colors and a set of dishes. That will be all I want this Christmas.

Your loving friend,
Milady Biskup.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a streamlined bicycle, a football helmet and football. I want a Lone Ranger suit with guns and hat. And I want a tommy gun that will make sparks.

Your friend,
Richard Burkes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be good all the year. Please bring me a bicycle.

Your friend,
Marjorie Denson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade. For Christmas I want a beautiful doll that has glass eyes and a pair of skates.

With love,
Myrtle Jean Crawford.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football, a watch, a hunting knife and a switch.

Your friend,
Roy Eickenhorst.

Dear Santa Claus:

This Christmas I want a doll, a desk, a scooter and a wrist watch.

Your friend,
Bennie Bailey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl, 8 years old. I am in the third grade. For Christmas I would like a big doll and a bicycle of my own. I would like to take piano lessons. I would like to have some games.

With lots of love,
Margaret Horstmann.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of boots, a pair of judspurs and a B B gun.

With love,
Hortense Nabours.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a gun and a scabbard, a watch and some tools. I hope the other children get their toys. I hope I do not get a switch. Bring some fire crackers and some apples and oranges, please.

Your friend,
Joe Hawkins.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a book, a fire truck and a scabbard. My Brothers want a truck, a football and a cowboy suit. My mother wants some glasses and my daddy wants a suit and a watch.

Your friend,
L. W. Turner.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a scooter and a doll with sleeping eyes and a book and a set of dishes.

With love,
Dorothy Layne.

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope you will be good to the poor children and I will be satisfied with what you bring me.

With love,
Ladis Marek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in school. Christmas is almost here. For Christmas I want a wagon, a football, a gun and scabbard. I would like a belt, a fire truck and a scooter. I will be glad when Christmas comes.

Your friend,
Rex Whisenant.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pair of skates, a big doll, a book and some candy and fruit.

Your friend,
Jean Edmonds.

Dear Santa Claus:

I can hardly wait until Christmas. If you can I would like for Christmas a bicycle and a beautiful doll. I am in the third grade. I wish you would bring my little nephew a big colorful ball. He likes colorful things. I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Your friend,
Betty Lou Welch.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football, a bicycle, a cap pistol, a wagon, a knife, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Ray Swanzy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle, a punching bag, a scout knife, a machine gun, a set of soldiers and cowboy suit.

Your friend,
Donald Weir.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy. I have two little brothers and they are good too. I want a football helmet, a football, a pair of boxing gloves, and a B B gun. And don't forget my two brothers and my mother and dad.

Your friend,
Denson Tindall.



Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle, wagon, skates, a watch, an air rifle and fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Prentis McGoldrick.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, skates, a desk, a farm and a scooter and some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Iris Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a B B gun and some B. B. Shots. And please bring me a cap gun, some fruit and some fire crackers.

With love,
James Lane McGoldrick.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade. I try to be good and I would like to have a little doll house, a Dydee doll, cooking dishes and some card games.

With love,
Joan Hickman.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll with a bottle, colors and a dress. I have a little sister and a little brother. Bring my little sister a cup and a dress. And my little brother wants a doll with a bottle too.

Your friend,
Billye Blanche Sell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the third grade. My name is Lillie Mae. For Christmas I want a doll and a color book. I will be glad when Christmas comes. My birthday comes right after Christmas.

With love,
Lillie Mae Martin.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a fire truck, a football, a gun and a scabbard and a B B gun. I hope you can come and see me Christmas eve night, not just me but other children too.

Your friend,
Carlton Braden.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a football, a pair of boots and a cowboy doll. I am in the third grade. I have been a good little boy. Have you been good Santa Claus? I am going to have a Christmas tree with lights so bright.

Your son,
Bobby Lee Terry.



Sincere Greetings

2 years ago our store had shortly begun operation. This year we look back over the months of 1938 and feel deeply obligated for your patronage and your Good Will.

We trust that Christmas finds you Happy and the New Year brings you back to us a Customer in 1939 and may you Prosper and have Good Health and Happiness.

Chas F. Green Grocery



SINCERE GREETINGS

We are happy in the thought of opportunities that came to serve in 1938. It is not enough to remember the material success of the year.

To complete our appreciation of the Season we think of Friends, loyal and true, of associations and co-workers for a better and brighter day in our community. We reflect with pride that we had a part in the year's total of service to the community.

We are grateful for the privilege to say: "Merry Christmas to one and all and in the New Year, Peace, Good Health and Plenty."

Coca-Cola Bottling Co.



We wish you one and all the Christmas Spirit



START YOUR XMAS WRAPPING EARLY



Una Merkel, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer player, learns that while the slogan "Do Your Xmas Shopping Early" is all right as far as it goes, it is far more important to "Start Your Xmas Wrapping Early." Una sets forth to wrap a gift for a friend.



It all looks quite easy as Una bolts along with a bolt of ribbon, but notice that the smile has gone from her face.



There's trouble ahead and now that eye gleam vanishes and Una pauses to study one of those "beautiful" packages wrapped for her at a store.



But Una decides that a girl must always be a leader, never a follower and that she who hesitates is lost. And what progress.



But, alas, here's the sad plight of a girl who gets too wrapped up in her work. "If you can do better, try it," Una says.

5-Col. Mat P-26

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll buggy, a piano, and a Santa doll. I also want a little bicycle. I live at 304 West 1st street.
Patsy Ruth Blair.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a wagon, steam shovel, fruit, nuts and candy. Remember my little brother and sister.
Your friend,
Billy Sanders.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a gun, and a ranger suit too. I am in the second grade.
Terry Hardwick.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll, some books and skates.
Annette Price.

HELP YOUR KIDNEYS

If functional Kidney or Bladder disorders cause Getting up Nights, Backache, Disturbed Sleep, Dizziness or Rheumatic Pains, Dusek Pharmacy will sell you a box of Turner's Juno Tablets on a guarantee. Price 50c and \$1.

The new Philco Wireless Record Player, plays phonograph records through any Radio—from anywhere in the house—no wires or connections to Radio! Just plug it into the nearest light socket.
Parma Radio Service.



TO enjoy work, a woman must feel well. Cardui aids in building up the whole system by helping women to get more energy from their food—and so increases resistance to the strain of functional periodic pain. Try it!

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

MAYSFIELD SCHOOL, (1st and 2nd Grades)

Dear Santa Claus:
I want an air rifle, a football, a bicycle and a knife.

Your friend,
Ervin Solomon.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a Chinese checker game. I would like to have a train. Please bring a machine gun.

Gaston Charley Barmore.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a bicycle, an air gun, and a wrist watch. I want some fruit and candy. That is all.

With love,
Edmund Schmidt, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a ranger suit, two guns, two scabbards and a football. I want a dog collar and an air gun.

John Talley Denson.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a Lone Ranger gun, a bicycle, a football, a knife and a scooter.

Your friend,
Earl Andrews.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a side board wagon, an air gun with three boxes of shells, a soldier suit with a sword and a watch.

Your friend,
J. L. Lochlin.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl eight years old, and am in the second grade. Please bring me a doll with eyebrows. Also bring me a phonograph, an electric iron, an ironing board, apples, oranges, candy and nuts. Do not forget my mother and sisters and no not forget my teacher.

Joyce Rosenberg.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want two guns and a scabbard. I want a cowboy suit. My brother and I want a mechanical set. I hope that is not too much. I am in the second grade.

Bill Crawford.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a tool chest, a foot ball and a play church organ. I am in the second grade.

Your friend,
Robert Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll, a wagon, a triecyle, and some fruit. I am in the second grade. Do not forget my brother and my sister. I am a little girl.

Your friend,
Billie Fletcher.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll for Christmas and a buggy. I am in the second grade. I live on the north street. I wish you a merry Christmas.

Kathleen Eichenhorse.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a football. I also want an air gun. I want some nuts and some candy. I am in the second grade. My name is,

William Clifton Mitcham.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll with some clothes. I also want some fruit and some candy. I want a watch, a ring, and a set of dishes.

Your friend,
Wanda.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a left and right scabbard, two Gene Autry guns, and an air gun. Also bring me nuts and oragnes and do not forget David.

Gus Edward McLain.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a bicycle for Christmas, and I want an airplane for Christmas, too. I live on West 7th Street. I am in the second grade. Merry Christmas.

Elmer Lewis.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want two guns and scabbards

Billie Ray.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a boy in the third grade. I am 8 years old. I want some fire crackers. I want a play gun and a truck.

With love,
Russell Haigh.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a bicycle, a cowboy suit, and a scooter. My mother wants a new pair of stockings. My dad wants a pipe.

Stanley Jackson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll with clothes, a car a doctor set, a big box of dishes, a pair of boots, and a little piano. I am in the second grade.

Susan Rosson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a ring, a pair of corduroy pants, some candy and some nuts.

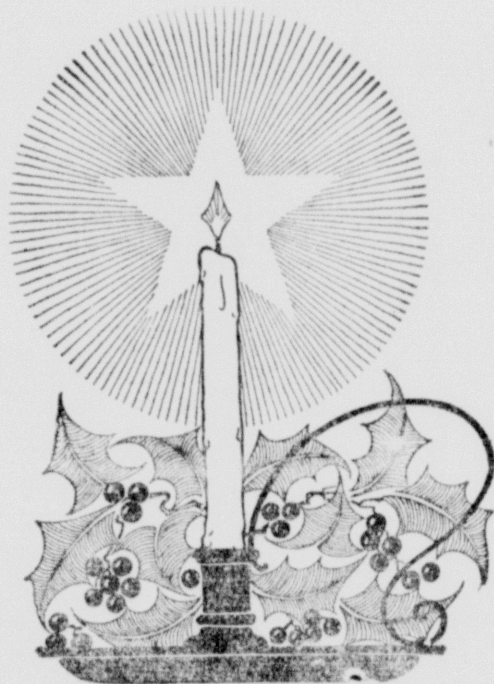
With love,
Edna Merle Angell.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle, an air gun, and a fountain pen. Be sure to remember my little sister.

Your friend,
Walter Hendrichsen.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me some candy and nuts, and please bring me a pair of boots.

Love,
Martha Virginia Black.



Sincere Appreciation

In the spirit of an old fashioned Christmas we bid you welcome to the Blue Bonnet. Here you will find cheer and a menu to your liking.

We are grateful for the many favors shown us in 1938. If there have been and hardships during the lean years, there have been the blessings of friendships and of neighbors.

When you come to celebrate the Christmas Season remember our gift of Good Will and our Best Wishes. Your happiness is our sincere desire and your prosperity in 1939 our sincere wish.

Let us Serve Your Christmas Menu.

**Bluebonnet
Cafe**

FRED JACKSON, Owner. Cameron, Texas



TO ALL:

We cannot find words adequate to say all that is in our heart, filled with appreciation for the consideration you have shown us during the year 1938.

At this peculiar sweet and tender season . . . Christmas . . . the thoughts of all men are turned to that arresting moment in a far off Desert Night when the Star shown brightly to honor the Birth of Revelation. It is only

Life would hold nothing of interest if Friends were out of the picture. The Memory of Friends and the presence of Loyalty in the record of 1938 give us occasion to be grateful for the measure of success your patronage has brought us.

We trust these greetings find you Happy at Christmas Time and when you come to Celebrate our Best Wishes will be there with You. In the New Year we trust that each may find that measure of Happiness you so richly deserve.



PARNELL'S

Shoe Shop.

We Use K. L. Dependable Leathers



When we think of the Friends and Patrons who made our success possible in 1938 we feel deeply grateful. In expressing this gratitude we trust that our efforts to provide good entertainment for you were successful and we say

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We invite your attention to the Holiday program arranged for your pleasure and we trust you will find it convenient to see these great pictures which represent our constant desire to merit your Good Will and to provide the best of entertainment.

OUR 1938 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Sunday & Monday Dec. 25 and 26

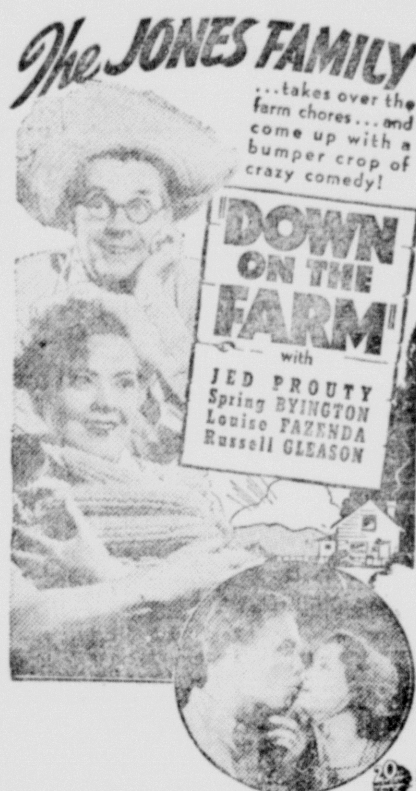
"THE COWBOY AND THE LADY"

Gary Cooper and Merle Oberon

A Movie Quiz Picture

MIDNIGHT SHOW 11 P. M.
DECEMBER 31

"Frankenstein" AND "DRACULA"



December 24

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"Torchy Gets Her Man"

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YOUR TROUBLES!
...Shirley treats
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CHARLES FARRELL
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Bill Robinson - Bert Lahr
Franklin Pangborn
Cora Witherspoon
Bennie Bartlett

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BUCK JONES

COMING TO THE CAMERON

Sunday and Monday, January 1 and 2
"THE YOUNG IN HEART"
Janet Gaynor, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.
Paulette Goddard

Tuesday and Wednesday, January 3 and 4.
"YOUNG DR. KILDARE"
Lionel Barrymore, Lew Ayres
BARGAIN DAYS

Thursday and Friday, January 5 and 6
"GIRL DONWSTAIRS"
Franchot Tone, Franciska Gaal



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YOU SEE CANADA'S
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The CAMERON

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December 29 & 30

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM SOUTH ELM SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am six years old and I go to South Elm School. I am in the first grade. I have three sisters and three brothers and I love them all. I have helped mother lots and I have tried to be very good. For Christmas please bring me a doll, a set of doll dishes, and a box of candy. Santa, please no not forget the poor children who have no parents.—Love,
Joyce Mode.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old and I like to go to school. I want you to please bring me a play gun, a little blackboard, some fruit, nuts and candy. Remember all the other children.—Your friend,
Weldon Lee Wilkerson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball, drum, a horn, a foot ball, toy train, a boat, a little Christmas tree, sack of marbles, some fruit, nuts and candy.—With Love,
J. W. Duncan.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a doll with long curly hair. I also want a tricycle.

I am a little girl six years old. This is my first year in school.—Your friend,
Mary Christine Fritz.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy seven years old. I have been a good boy. I want you to bring me a pocket knife, ball, batt, glove and air gun. Also some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls.—Your friend,
Florin Fuchs.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old and in the second grade. I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a pencil box, a color book and also a pair of cowboy boots. Don't forget the little orphan children.—A little friend,
Leland Mode.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me an electric desk lamp, a table, nuts and candy. Hoping to see you Christmas.—With love,
Dorothy Rachi.

Dear Santa Claus:

I thought I would ask you to bring me a motorcycle, fruit, nuts and candy.

Hope you don't have any trouble getting here Christmas.—With love,
Houghton Chevalier.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old and in the third grade. I would like for you to bring me a toy typewriter and a doll. Don't forget the poor children.—With love,
Jacquelyn Boehn.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big doll, a wrist watch, a set of dishes, a picture book and a pair of shoes. Also candy, nuts and fruit.—With love,
Theresa Bell Duncan.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a little red wagon. Also fruit, nuts and candy.—Yours truly,
Alton Bell.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a wheel barrow, blackboard, steam shovel, fruit, nuts and candy.

Please don't forget all the other boys and girls.—Love,
Billie Carl Fischer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a writing desk, dresses, cabinet, bicycle, ring, nuts, fruit and candy.

I hope the weather will be good so you can make the trip good.—Yours truly,
Joyce Weichert.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want an air gun, fruit and fire crackers for Christmas.—Yours truly,
Junior Gandy.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll buggy, doll house, nuts fruit and candy. Be sure to bring all my little friends something too.

Peggy Johnson.

DOLLS

Dolls of long ago are treasured memories in the history of this country. The affection George Washington had for his little step-granddaughter, Nellie Custis, is revealed in the story of how she followed him about Mount Vernon with the picture books he had brought her from Philadelphia and her fashionably dressed dolls, as carefully correct in every sartorial detail of that era as the little girl of today demands of the dolls of this period.

The custom of dolls dressed in fashionable attire was one which was brought not only from England but from France and Spain in the early days of this country. For hundreds of years these "babies" had been used in European countries for hair-dresser's exhibitions of coifs and to display the designs of costumes. Soon these fashion dolls became the playthings of little girls. Santa Claus was delighted at their pleasure in them and put one for each little girl down on his list. The dolls that were dressed in the fashions of the ladies of the day wore fashionable little girl dresses and fashionable baby clothes just as the dolls to day. It was not until the middle of the eighteenth century that the "little ladies" and "babies" were called dolls. The word is supposed to be taken from the Danish name for the maid servant, "dau."

Paper dolls, that have always delighted American children in great numbers, were originated as fashion plates with which the little girls of the household played. Many ingenious varieties of paper dolls are again offered this year, from those complete in themselves, those to be cut out and those to be made by the little girls and painted from designs and sheets of papers, paints and crayons included in a paper doll set. The newest doll that will be displayed on toy counters for 1938 is one which can drink from its bottle lying down.

The Herald brings to you the greetings of your friends.

Spirit of Christmas

By Katherine Edelman

Surrender yourself to the Spirit of Christmas! Let its joy thrill you—let its peace steal softly across your heart! Open our ears to the magic of its message—open your eyes to the miracles it accomplishes!

Read again Dickens' Christmas Carol, the best known and most inspiring of all the Christmas stories. And don't feel ashamed, if at the end, as Tiny Tim whispers, "God bless us, every one," you find your own eyes wet with tears.

Open the Book of Books, and let Luke tell you about that first Christmas—of the long journey to Bethlehem, of the birth in the humble manger, of the shepherds keeping watch over their flocks. Listen to the heavenly music that was heard upon the hills, to the thrilling words of the angel, "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Bow your head and give thanks for the Prince of Peace who came, saying with the angels, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Let Matthew tell you of the coming of the Wise Men from the East, with their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, which they presented to the Christ Child.

Then, with the Spirit of Christmas in your heart, go forth and help make Christmas a brighter and a happier day for others!

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Attorneys at Law

Over First National Bank
Cameron, Texas

MERRIE CHRISTMAS

"God rest ye, merrie gentleman!" Never old, ever new the salutation is resurrected as another Christmas rolls around.

It is no wonder that Christmas is universally the holiday of the year with English speaking peoples, for its roots lie buried in antiquity. Long before the Romans brought Christianity to the British Isles, a pagan festival—the Yuletide—took place annually in the latter part of December.

It was the greatest of the pagan celebrations. It was held in honor of the winter solstice—the time when the sun starts its return northward, bringing promise of coming spring. Sun worship, of course, was a great

part of the religion of early pagan races.

When, in 597 A. D., Gregory the Great sent Augustine as the first missionary to the British Isles, he wisely cautioned him not to destroy the temple or customs of the people—but to change them into Christian churches and celebrations. So it was that the traditional Yule-log burning, the feasting and revelry, became associated with the birth of Christ, and the holiday took the name of "Christes Masse," which eventually became our familiar "Christmas."

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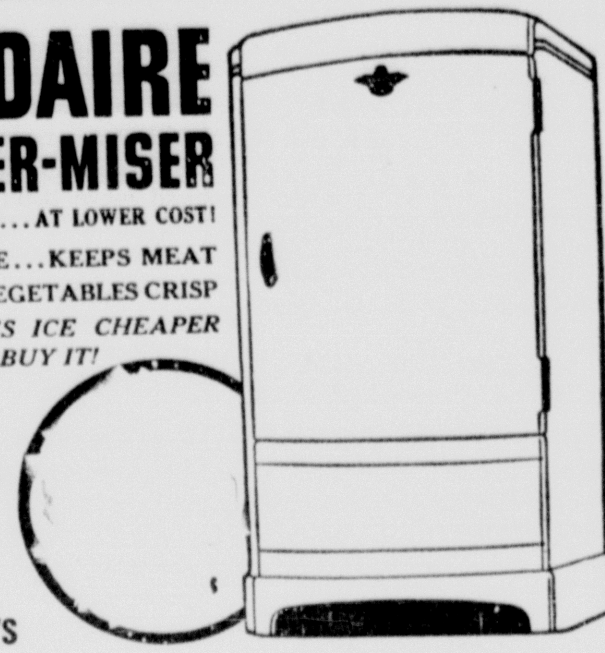
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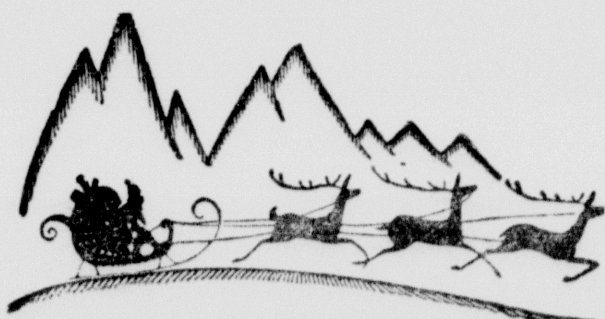


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Ramblings... at Christmas time

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citizens of this fine community... their loyalty and belief in progress... all in all... we find many things that make us happy that this is our home... may we wish you all that's fine in appreciation of these delightful memories.

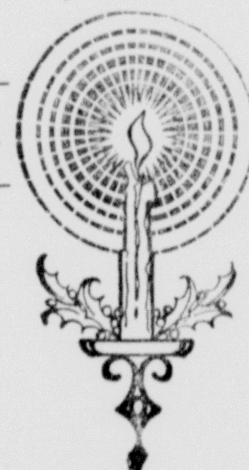


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The Christmas and New Year Season brings to mind the gratitude that is in our hearts for all the blessings that have come our way. In the past the friends of this organization have made possible progress and a certain amount of prosperity. Through these friendships life has been an enjoyable experience, one in which we have the confidence and esteem of the people whom we serve. All we ask is the pleasure of a continuance of these fine relationships—so that we may look with a genuine enthusiasm toward the future.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

MAYSFIELD SCHOOL, (1st and 2nd Grades)

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a B B gun, fruit and candy. Remember to bring other little boys and girls something too.

John Weathers.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a little red wagon, a little pistol, a belt and some fruit.

Your little friend,
James Harwell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 8 years old and in the second grade. Please bring me a pair of cowboy boots and a single shot target if I am not too small. I also want some tubes for my bicycle. Don't forget my little brother.

Your little friend,
Pat Gleason.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big doll, a suit case and some fruit.

Your little friend,
Margaret Mandrell.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a little blue car, tractor and a drum. Please bring me some fire works, fruit and nuts. I am a good little boy.

Your little friend,
Donald Thweatt.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. Please bring me a doll buggy, a doll, some fruit and candy.

Your little friend,
Mattie Holloway.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a red dump truck and some candy. I love you.

Doyle Cohea.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a target, a cowboy suit, and some fruit for Christmas.

Your little friend,
Bob Holloway.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a doll, a table, a set of dishes, a dress and that's all.

Love,
Marguerite Massengale

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing to let you know I am spending the winter at Maysfield, again this winter. So when you make your visit to Maysfield, please don't forget to leave my toys at my grand father Phipps' house. Remember I saw you the day before Christmas last year at Joplin, Mo., and I told you then to leave the most of my toys at Maysfield. As I would be at my home in Hiwassee, Ark., only for the holidays. I know that you will please remember to bring my little brother, Gail, the things he wants and leave them at our home in Hiwassee, Ark. Also please bring him and me some fruit, candy and nuts. I will not ask for many toys. I only want a doll, doll bed, ducks and a story book. I almost forgot to tell you that I am six years old now and am going to school at Maysfield. Miss Laura Rettig is my teacher and I like her very much. Please remember all the little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Carolyn Grey Banks.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a cowboy suit, an air gun, a pair of gloves, a red wagon, some candy and fruit.

Your little friend,
Frank Malone.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a red wagon, a dump truck, a train, candy and some fruit. I will thank you.

Howard Beale.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a red wagon, a 22 rifle, a tractor, a play-car, fire crackers and some fruit. Thank you.

W. B. Junek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a quilt, a big ball, candy, apples and nuts.

Your little friend,
Gloria Mae Coker.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a red wagon, some candy and fruit. Also a bicycle. That's all.

Richard Haynes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am trying to be a good little boy in school. Will you please bring me a cowboy suit and a pistol. Many thanks and don't forget other little boys and girls. We love you lots.

Your little 6 Year Old Friend,
Thomas Weathers.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a watch, a pair of cowboy boots and a single shot target. I would also like a dump truck. Please, Santa remember all my little boy friends.

Tommy Gleason.



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Dear Santa Claus:

I want a wagon, a bicycle, a French harp, some nuts, fruit and candy.

Your little friend,
Harold Brown.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll, a doll bed, a basket for my doll to sleep in, candy and fruit of all kinds.

With love,
Nettie Cohea.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a car, candy, apples and oranges for Christmas please.

Your little friend,
John Pevehouse, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a Snow White doll, a little chair and table, some candy and fruit. Bring Tommy a pair of boots and Pat a wagon. That's all.

Dorothy Jane Massengale.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I go to Maysfield school. My teacher is Miss Rettig. Please bring me a big doll, a doll buggy, some nuts, candy and fruit. Remember my teacher, my sister and little brother. Thanks to you, dear old Santa.

Fannie Mae Mandrell.



Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, apples, oranges and candy. Please bring other little boys and girls something nice.

Mary Emma Sapp.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a picture book, some apples, oranges and candy. Thank you.

Charles Pevehouse.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a gun, a baseball, a bat, bed room slippers, some fire works, candy, chewing gum and fruit. Thank you.

Your little friend,
Hollis Ray Smith.

Bryan 'Grape Juice Secretary'
The term "Grape Juice Secretary" was applied to William Jennings Bryan, who was secretary of state. He refused to serve or partake of any intoxicants even at official banquets, substituting grape juice.

Wrote 'The Caisson Song'
"The Caisson song," which is the United States Field Artillery march, was written by Col. Edmond L. Gruber in 1908 when he was a lieutenant of the Fifth Field artillery in the Philippines.

'Dead as a Door Nail'
Dickens in his "Christmas Carol" popularized the simile "dead as a door nail." The expression, however, first appears in "Piers Plowman," by William Langland (1362).

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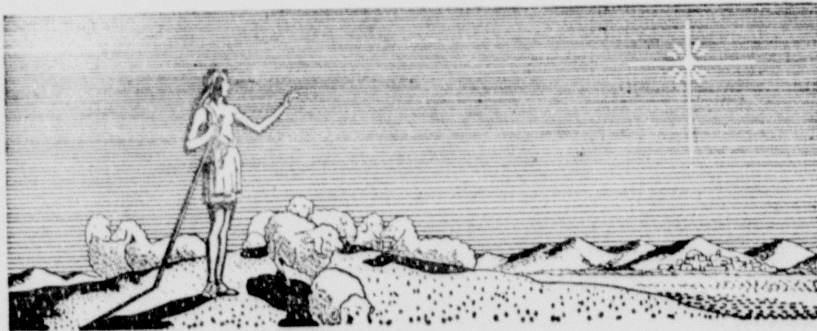
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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM O. J. THOMAS SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a paint book, and please bring me a machine. Please bring me an electric stove and a Di-Dee doll. I am a little girl. My name is Peggie Ruth Heard. I am in the third grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Montgomery.

Peggie Ruth Heard.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an air gun for Christmas. I am in the second grade and ten years old.

Louis Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a football and a gun. I am a good boy. My name is,

Henderson Jones.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll and a trunk of clothes and a doll bed. Please bring me some candy and nuts. I am in the third grade. My name is,

Rosalie Staton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to the O. J. Thomas High School. I am a good girl and I am 9 years old. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a trunk and a bicycle and a piano and some furniture and a table too. Be good to the poor. I will close my letter.

Elmer Whiteside.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you a Christmas letter. I am a girl in the third grade and nine years old. I have been a very good little girl this year. I obey my parents. Please send me an electric stove, a pair of shoes, a dress and some fruit. And don't forget the poor girls and boys. I will close.

Mary Ann Knight.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the second grade. I am nine years old. Please bring me a doll and fruit. Please bring me a cap and a coat. Don't

forget the other little boys and girls. I am a good girl.

Orgie MaeLeath.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a paint book and a truck. I am in the second grade. I am nine years old. I go to the O. J. Thomas High School.

David Thomas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you because you are kind to boys and girls. Please bring me a doll and a coat. I am a little girl in the third grade. My name is

Wilma Nelson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little girl. I get my lessons. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a pair of socks and a sweater. I am nine years old. I will close.

Dorothy Mae Lester.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a coat and a pair of boots for school this winter because it will be cool. Please bring a dress. I am a good girl. And bring my little sister a pair of cowboy boots. My teacher is named Mrs. Montgomery. She is a kind teacher. I will be a good girl in school. O. J. Thomas High School.

Jessie Mae Overton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will be glad to see you Christmas. I am 11 years old. I am in the third grade. I am a boy. Please bring me a gun, cup and a truck. I am a good boy. I go to school every day.

Fred Douglas Young.

Fourth and Fifth Grades

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fourth grade in school. I am 11 years old. I want a wagon, a football and a pair of shoes. I want a tablet and some fruit. I am a little boy. I go to school. I try to learn my lesson every day. I like my teacher.

Your friend,
Samuel Brown.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am fine. My name is Mattie Lee Cunningham. I have been a good girl. I wrote you last Christmas. Santa Claus, I want a pair of boots, a dress, a hat and a pair of house shoes, some fruit and candy. Please bring mother and father something.

Your truly,

Mattie Lee Cunningham.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. My name is Marie Wesley. I am 11 years old. I wrote you last year, Santa Claus, I still have my doll you gave me last Christmas. Her name is Shirley Temple. I love to play with her. Santa Claus, please bring me a doll buggy, skates and fruit. And don't forget the fatherless children.

Yours truly,

Marie Wesley.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. My name is Mae Cecil Johnson. I am ten years old. It has been nearly a year since I have written you. Santa I still have my doll you gave me last Christmas. Her name is Mary Ann. Some time when my friend comes to see me we have a tea party.

Santa, please bring me a pencil box, doll skates and rope. I will not ask you for much this time. Don't forget the good girls and boys who haven't a mother or father.

Yours truly,

Mae Cecil Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a wagon, car, bat, ball, watch and a gun. I am nine years old and in the fourth grade.

Your friend,

C. J. Widman.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl ten years old and in the fifth grade. I have been a good little girl since Christmas. Christmas is nearly here and I will be so glad when it gets here.

I have been reading about you in the papers. In school we made a bulletin board with your picture on it.

I have a very good teacher. Her name is Mrs. W. L. Hall. For Christmas I want you to remember her in your bringings and also my dear loving mother and grandmother.

Yours lovingly,

Lola Elaine Vinters.

Dear Santa Claus:

Santa Claus, I want you to come to my home and to my friends home too. I hope you will be able to come to my house. Don't forget the poor children. I want you to bring me some fruit and some dishes for my little sister. I am in the fifth grade.

Yours truly,

Elzere Woods.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to school every day and I am in the fifth grade. I am telling you what I want for Christmas. I want a gun, a package of paper, pencil, candy, oranges, apples and some caps.

Yours truly,

Shellie Joshua, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

For Christmas I want you to bring me some fire works and some fruit. A bicycle, an air gun and suit too. Please don't forget mother and father. Don't forget my sister and brother.

Yours truly,

Albert Sledge.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Odessa Marie Thomas. I am writing you a letter to bring me

a coat, boots, gloves and skates.

My sister wants you to bring her a bicycle, coat some skates and a dress. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,

Odessa Marie Thomas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl ten years old, but I don't want any toys for Christmas. I want a typewriter. I am going to be a good little girl and I plan to pass in all of my grades. I am in the fifth grade. And I want you to bring my teacher something for Christmas and please don't forget the poor children. We have already made a bulletin board.

Yours truly,

Audry Allien Homer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am fine. My name is Willie Fae Avery. I have been a good girl. Please bring me a story book, a sleepy doll, some boots and a pair of socks. I am ten years of age. I

am not asking for much this year. I

wish you a merry merry Christmas.

Yours truly,

W. F. Avery.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me some candy. I am thirteen years old and in the fourth grade. I go to school every day in the week. My teacher's name is Mrs. W. L. Hall. She is good to me and the whole room. I like her very well.

Yours truly,

Elias Young, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the fifth grade at school. I am 11 years old. Don't forget the children that have no mother and father. I am saving a bank for Christmas. Don't forget my mother and father.

I am going to make a list of things that I want for Christmas. I want a bicycle and a train with four box cars on it.

Yours truly,

Ben McGill.



GOOD CHEER and GOOD AEALTH

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all is my sincere wish.

During the Christmas holidays I extend to you and yours a cordial invitation to visit with us and enjoy the hospitality we wish to share with you.

For Friends and Patrons, we send best wishes. We want to serve you again in 1939.

Happy New Year To All!

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THE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO OUR POLICY HOLDERS

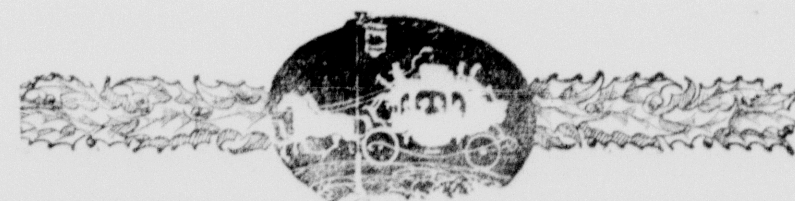
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CODY SCOUT, 101, A LIVING HISTORY OF FRONTIER DAYS

Two-Fisted Gunman of Buffalo Bill Days Knew All the Famed Old-Timers.

San Francisco.—You'd think a person nearing his one hundred first birthday would be resigned, patient, and waiting for death. But that's not the case with Henry Ingersoll Cameron, former plainsman, scout, guide, Indian fighter, and two-fisted gunman of the Buffalo Bill days.

He's still a fighter. Despite the fact that he lives with a barber, Cameron hasn't had a haircut for 87 years. Today he's fighting to regain his walking legs.

Three years ago after a session of solitaire he told his family, "Damn, I can't get out of my chair." Doctors say he lost his sense of balance, but that it'll return at one hundred three, when he'll have to learn to walk all over again.

Impatient for 1940 to arrive, Cameron sits and smokes. His quota is six cigars a day, which he chases with 25 pipefuls of tobacco.

He always wears his chest full of medals and removes only his plainsman hat when he sleeps.

According to his own stories, he's seen more history made than any man alive, and here is his story:

He lost an eye in the Civil war, after running the gantlet of the enemy's lines and coming through unscathed at the battle of Shiloh. Some of his claims are:

He Helped Bury Jesse James.

He was in St. Joseph, Mo., when Jesse James was killed and helped to bury him. He was held captive by Blackfeet Indians of Wyoming, was standing by the table when Wild Bill Hickok was killed, and saw them bury Hickok and Calamity Jane in the same grave.

Many a horse was shot from under him by Indians when he was scouting for Col. William (Buffalo Bill) Cody.

Son of a newspaper editor, he ran away from his boyhood home in Butler county, Ohio, when he was seventeen and struck out for the West over the plains. That was in '54.

After several years of Indian fighting he joined the Union army and entered the Civil war. But, preferring Indians as foes to Southerners, he left the war after losing an eye, and became a scout for General Crook, the Indian fighter.

Later he joined Buffalo Bill Cody's party, leading their expeditions, picking off Indians along the trails.

Indian Captive Year and Half.

In the spring of '66, while scouting for a party, he was surprised by a band of Wyoming Blackfeet, who shot him three times while he was bending down to make a fire. One bullet struck his right elbow, another hit his left arm, and the third creased his skull.

The Indians carried him 100 miles to their village and held him captive for 18 months. He was threatened and tormented and finally released in exchange for two sacks of flour, brought in one day with an imperative demand from the commander of Fort Laramie.

From there he went to Promontory, Utah, and on May 9, 1869, watched the driving of the golden spike joining the Union and Southern Pacific transcontinental railroads.

Along about the seventies he began cutting down his doses of excitement and fiddled around with balloon ascensions from the old Woodward Gardens in San Francisco.

He took a farm near Petaluma when he was nearly sixty and became one of the oldest pioneers of Sonoma county. He married Mrs. Ella (Tolle) Squires in '99. She sits beside him now and says she is "only eighty-two."

Since 1926 the Camerons have lived with Mrs. Cameron's daughter in San Francisco.

Irish Sentence Scottish

Lass for Public Salute

Black Rock, Ireland.—A lass from Glasgow, Scotland, went visiting recently in Black Rock, which is a village on the seacoast of Ireland. She and a young man of Black Rock became very good friends.

But one day some busybody saw them kissing, right out in public. It was reported to the local vigilance committee. The committee was shocked and the justices of the Dundalk court were scandalized. They sentenced Miss Julia Clarke to spend a month in jail.

But Julia already had returned to Glasgow, so she is safe unless she happens to return to Black Rock. The young man also was called into court. The justices must have thought the girl from the city was to blame, for they told him he wouldn't have to go to jail if he would give \$10 to a church society and promise never to do anything like that again—in public.

Wet Prunes Burst Walls

Chico, Calif.—Housewives know that prunes soaked in water swell, and now California prune growers know it, too. During the California floods, a large barn, filled with prunes, was swept several feet deep by flood waters. The prunes swelled until suddenly, with a terrific explosion, the barn burst.

Headless Skeleton Puzzle to Police

Dijon, France.—Closely following the Weidmann mass murders, French police are faced with the mysterious slaying of an as yet unidentified man near here.

Tied to a tree by steel chains, the skeleton of a headless man was found by a local hunter. His head, either severed at death or torn off by wild animals, was discovered a few yards away.

French police believe it may be the body of a German professor, Dr. Heinrich Helmund, a refugee, who disappeared in France several months ago.

GOAT ONLY FRIEND TO MOURN OLD MAN

Paws Sadly at Door of Shack Where Master Lies Dead.

Winnipeg.—There was only one friend to mourn when a lonely old man died in his tiny, unpainted shack in a corner of a lumber yard at St. Boniface, near here. He was Desire Castiau, seventy-six years old, once a locomotive engineer for the Belgian railways, once an expert machinist.

Thirty years ago Castiau was sent to Canada to install machinery in coal mines at Frank, Alberta. Joyfully, his wife and seven children came with him to the new world. Castiau did his work well, and for years was a valued employee of the mining company and later with a coal company in Edmonton.

But tragedy came to Castiau with a heavy hand. One by one his wife and all their children died. Trying to forget, he moved to St. Boniface, married again, and then moved to Montreal. There his second wife died twelve years ago.

Castiau went back to St. Boniface and built his one room house in the lumber yard. In return for the space where his tiny home stood, and for scraps of lumber to feed a small stove, he kept watch on the yards, leading his pet goat, Jeanette, on a chain as he made his rounds.

Workers in the lumber yard, looking toward Castiau's shack one morning, saw for the first time in years that no smoke was curling from the tilted little chimney about the tar papered roof. A yardman went to the house and looked through a window. Castiau was still in bed.

Pounding on the door failed to arouse the old man, so police came and forced their way inside. Castiau had died in his sleep. After his body had been taken away his faithful friend Jeanette pawed mournfully at the door of the tiny shack. For two days the goat refused to be led away, waiting in vain for the master who was no longer there.

Fiance of Deb in Africa

Helps Pay for Her Debut

Philadelphia.—In one section of West Africa the "boy friend" helps defray the cost of a girl's debut, according to Henry U. Hall, University of Pennsylvania Museum ethnologist.

Hall, who has returned from an expedition financed by the American Philosophical society, said that in Sherbo, Africa, girls become members of the fashionable set when they were inducted into the "bundu," a secret order.

The girls spend four months in special groves learning manners and then return for their official debut, Hall said.

On the third night of the coming-out party the girls change their dull "khotas" for European frocks, sometimes even silk ones, and there is dancing and palm wine is drunk.

Because of the heavy expense on parents of the deb, the fiance frequently is persuaded to pay part of the cost.

"Most men that can afford it have more than one wife," Hall said.

Pussy Has Hare-Raising

Adventure in the Woods

Armonk, N. Y.—Armonk residents looked askance at Sophie, a black cat.

Sophie went on a three months' trip into the woods, according to her owner, F. Freeman Lloyd, and returned with a litter. This wasn't unusual in itself, but two of the kittens, Bunny and Blackie, certainly are unusual. They bear astonishing resemblance to rabbits.

Bunny has the forelegs, chest, teeth, ears and claws of a cat, but its back is high like a rabbit's, and it has long rear legs and it hops. Blackie hops, too, and has a short, fuzzy tail. Both eat carrots, cabbage and lettuce.

Ernest Sapey, manager of a cat shelter, called them "rabcats," and said: "If Sophie could only talk!"

Back Seat "Driver" Fined

Olympia, Wash.—The state law is that the owner is responsible for his automobile, and for whoever is driving it. So Ivan Jones, who was a passenger in his own car, riding in the back seat, was fined \$50 for drunken driving because the driver was drunk.

Fish Bites Man and Dog

Mombasa, South Africa.—By biting a native and his dog near Mombasa, a fish routed them and escaped at its leisure.

CEDARS OF LEBANON

Among the world's oldest Christmas trees are those which stand within the nascent Republic of Lebanon, in Syria, authorized by a recent Franco-Lebanese treaty. An abrupt 6,000 feet above the Mediterranean, on a shelflike plateau, the impressive little colony of 400 trees are descendants of the famous Cedars of Lebanon, so often mentioned in the Bible. The wood used in building King Solomon's temple was hewn from the cedar forests of Lebanon.

Both Moslems and Maronite Christians are forbidden by religion and law from marring the cedars which were venerated as manarchs among

trees even before Judah had her first king.

Bark of the trees is coarse and rough, reddish brown, frosted with whitish hoar. The wood which grows reddish to yellow at the center is extremely hard, close grained, fragrant and capable of high polish, which made it prized by ancients for carved images. Some of the trees attain a height of 50 to 80 feet, and are very large in diameter at the girth.

There are twelve especially famous members of the tree colony, each with a distinctive personality. The oldest of all—which may have more than 1,500 or 1,000 years to its credit—is



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American Methods Used by Bandits in France

Carcassonne, France.—France now has its modern, American-type stickup gang.

Working on American lines, complete with submachine gun, five automobile bandits stuck up a French gold mining company's payroll truck and baffled French police are now searching for a clue.

Closely following time-honored bandit custom, the five men were standing around an apparently broken-down automobile when the payroll car drove up.

One man blackjacked the driver while another held the submachine gun on the two guards. When the gangsters drove off the guards opened fire. Police are convinced that one of the five is seriously wounded.

The Surete-Nationale, which is in charge of the case, claims that the gangsters must come from Marseilles—home of France's "tough boys." They also believe that this same gang is responsible for several important hold-ups in the southern region.

The payroll amounted to slightly more than \$20,000.

Five Children Row Mile Daily to Attend School

Lakeside, Ohio.—The grandfathers who relate hardships they endured to go daily to school have nothing on five youthful members of the Zelms family who each day are rowed across the treacherous mile-wide Sandusky bay channel to attend classes.

The children live on Johnson's island and must go to Marblehead peninsula. And after the risky journey across the channel, they must walk another quarter-of-a-mile to catch a school bus.

Fourteen-year-old Lloyd Zelms, a seventh-grade student, assumes the responsibility for rowing his younger brothers and sisters. On clear days his job is not so difficult but when the waters roll heavily the undertaking is precarious indeed.

The children leave their home shortly after 7 a. m. and return near 5 p. m. When the water freezes over they are forced to walk across the ice to reach their destination.

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Collie Is in Ninth Year as Law Student

Iowa City, Iowa.—The University of Iowa's most faithful law student is attending classes for the ninth straight year.

He is Huckleberry Finn, chunky, red-gold collie belonging to Law Professor Percy Bordwell. He is well known about the campus for his faithful attendance at classes and because he is a figure in an Iowa song composed by Professor C. M. Updegraff.

He made history at a mock trial several years ago when he sat sedately near the justices of the Iowa Supreme court as they made their annual visit to the law college. He sat sedately, that is, until a blank cartridge pistol was fired as a part of the proceedings. Then Huck bolted for a window, upsetting dignified jurists as he went.

ROBOT RIVALS MAN AS PROBLEM SOLVER

Works Out Engineering Equations at Rapid Speed.

Sydney, Australia.—In the research laboratories of the University of Sydney a machine has been invented to solve engineering scientific and mathematical problems that almost rivals the human brain.

It is destined, the university believes, to become to the engineer and scientist what the adding machine is to the bookkeeper and accountant.

By tracing curves on a sheet of paper it reduces the weeks ordinarily required for complicated problems to a few hours.

It can be adapted for solving many problems in railway engineering; for establishing range tables for artillery fire; for preparing statistical investigations; for solving many problems in physics, bacteriology and electrical research.

For instance, it will work out in a few minutes the problem of how to safeguard any electrical system, either of wiring or machinery, against lightning flashes.

Other curious possibilities of calculation include the adding of the total of three quantities that are constantly varying. This ordinarily requires tedious labor.

The inventor is D. M. Myers, a young research physicist of the radio research board of Australia, working under a government grant.

Air-Conditioning to Be Year-Round Joy

University of Illinois Engineers Study Subject.

URBANA-CHAMPAIGN, ILL.—When year-around air-conditioning becomes as common as winter heating is today, many of the agencies prominent in improving heating will also be found to have been prominent in developing 12-month air-control. In the forefront of these is the University of Illinois.

Results of research by Illinois engineers is embodied in practically every new heating installation made today. This work, begun at Illinois some two decades ago, is continuing, and right along with it is going research extending air-conditioning from a winter-time job to a year-around control.

Not only are engineers working on the mechanical side of air conditioning, but physicians in the college of medicine are studying its effects upon humans and utilizing it in their studies. Likewise, college of agriculture scientists, placing animals in air-conditioned chambers, are learning facts about life processes of great value to humans.

Five Factors Involved.

Complete air conditioning, explain the University of Illinois engineers, involves five factors:

1. Summer cooling and winter warming.
2. Summer dehumidification and winter humidification.
3. Circulation of the air.
4. Removal of dust and odors.
5. Introduction and conditioning of outdoor air.

For student training and for research, they have built a special piece of apparatus in which these factors can be varied and handled in various manners. This 42-foot long apparatus, two stories high, provides several methods of either summer or winter air conditioning. The apparatus is the most complete of its kind.

Another provision for year-around air-conditioning study is a huge insulated room containing a complete portion of a house. Within this room, which has cork walls eight inches thick, coils and fans can produce winter conditions as cold as 5 below zero or summer as hot as 110 above.

With these conditions produced at will and maintained for as long as desired, the research men can make careful and accurate studies of either heating or cooling within the room of the house portion.

"CHRISTMAS TREE LANE"

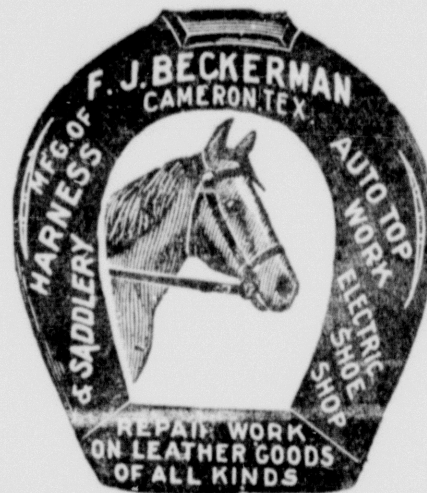
It was to combat the waste of nature's bounty that the idea of the living Christmas tree was conceived the first lighted, living tree being, according to report, at Altadena, Calif., along a mile-long stretch of streets now called Christmas Tree Lane. These trees are the graceful Himalaya cedars known as Doedars, or Trees of God. They are hung with thousands of colored electric lights, the illumination beginning on Christmas Eve and lasting through New Year's night, with an accompaniment of community singing.

From this Christmas Tree Lane the lovely plan of having outdoor, living, lighted Christmas trees has spread well over the land. The first garden club of national importance to take up this idea in whole-hearted fashion was that of Des Moines, Iowa. That city has come to be known as the Christmas Tree City, with lighted trees on virtually every lawn. The supreme beauty of such lighted, living trees outdoors lies in the fact that they are not merely for the pleasure of the few but for the enjoyment of every passer-by.

This custom of lighting growing trees has spread until now in every town from coast to coast gayly colored trees blazon a Christmas message.

Nature Upsets Plans

Klamath Falls, Ore.—Andrew M. Collier, drilling a deep well for a water supply for an ice plant, struck an artesian well giving a plentiful flow of hot water. Collier will use it to heat his plant instead of for manufacturing ice.



WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS

Xmas is a day for those who keep the high law of personal honor, humbleness, goodness, love and service. It means nothing to those outside this pale. But it brings holy hours to those millions of homes where trees stand trimmed, where small children rush and shout, or older children are putting young, strong arms about mother and daddy to thank them for love and gifts—those homes where long and busy days and responsibility do not leave much time for demonstrable affection, yet where love abideth always.—Kathleen Norris.

Beginning of the Year

As early as 251 B. C., the Romans accepted January as the beginning of the year. They named the month in honor of Janus, the two-faced god, as looking both into the past and the future. During the Middle Ages the year was made to begin at various dates. In England, in 1751, January was made the first month by act of Parliament.

The Herald brings to you the greetings of your friends.

Cheese Rind for Birds

In a recent discussion of the best way of feeding birds in the garden one experimenter put forward the rind of a tilton cheese as the supreme Christmas fare! Birds of many sorts especially the robin, are greedily fond of it. They have a desire for fat and the cheese provides this in association with other virtues. If we feed birds for the sake of watching them as well as comforting them, the rind, if preserved in more or less unbroken form, has the advantage that it cannot be carried away and attracts five or six species of birds if not more.—London Spectator.

Christmas Air

Every big London market has its own special characteristics. One of the most characteristic of all is Leaden-Hall market, because of its position and the essentially friendly and family air about it. During the Christmas season the air is positively festive.

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the day of Herod the king, behold there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem."—Matthew 2:1.

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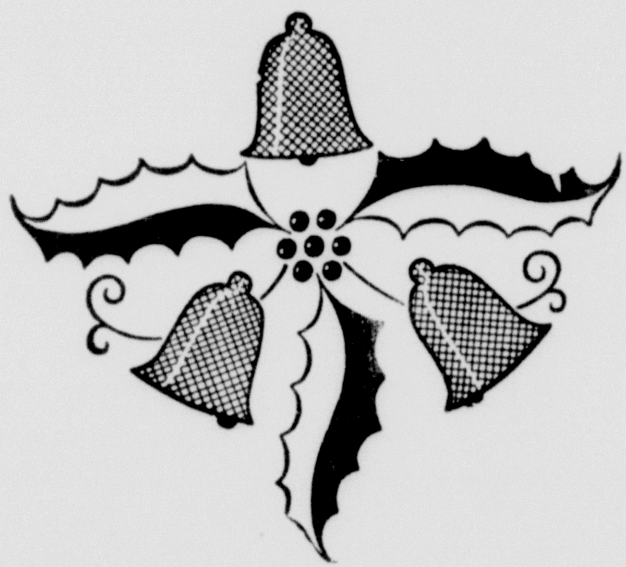
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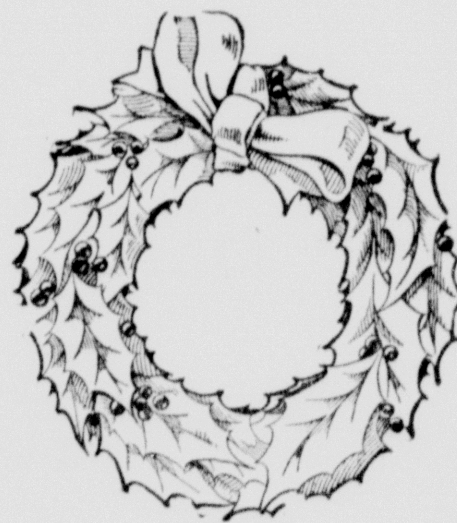
... The best for you and yours is the sincere wish of every member of this firm. Our Christmas present has already been received... your fine patronage all year and during the Holiday Season has made us happy at Christmas time. So, please accept our thanks along with this Greeting.

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Question of Origin of

Indian Is Not Settled

The country from which the original Indian tribes came may never be settled. The American encyclopedia says:

"The question of the antiquity of the American Indian culture is difficult to settle satisfactorily. So, while one may not believe that America was the original habitat of the human race, he may be certain that very many millenniums have elapsed since the Red Man began his career as the autochthone (aborigine) of the New World. There seems every reason to believe that at the close of the Glacial age man had spread over a considerable portion of both North and South America and was contemporary with European man of an early epoch. To calculate man's residence in the American environment by years is impossible on present evidence."

Stimpson's "Uncommon Knowledge" in answering this same question says:

"In view of overwhelming evidence to the contrary, any theory that derives the Indians from any Old World people within comparatively recent times should be looked upon with extreme skepticism."

The usual theory is that the original Indians entered this continent from Asia by crossing the Bering strait, but as these writers imply, this could only have occurred in time very remote.

Some Owls' Eyesight as

Keen by Day as at Night

Owls, symbols of wisdom and objects of superstitious dread through the ages, are portrayed in a sympathetic light in an exhaustive bulletin on their behavior by Arthur Cleveland Bent of Taunton, Mass., and issued in Washington by the Smithsonian institution.

Bent describes the courtship and mating of different species of these birds of darkness, their care of the young, nest building and pursuit of food. They vary from rather gentle birds, he finds, to "tigers and wildcats" of the feathered world, and from fairly intelligent creatures to some which appear stupid.

He contradicts the popular idea that these birds can see only in the dark. Nearly all the species have chosen the night for their depredations and naturally have well-developed night vision, but in some cases there is evidence that their sight is just as keen in bright sunlight. The almost strictly nocturnal barn owl, however, seems really bewildered in daylight, during which it remains inactive, often soundly asleep.

The widely distributed barred owl has exceptionally keen eyesight by day as well as night. It hunts only at night, but with the pupil contracted it can also see perfectly in the brightest daylight.

Only Native Sporting Dog

The Chesapeake Bay Retriever is the only native American sporting dog. His parents sailed from England, however, and therein lies a story. More than 100 years ago, says the American Wildlife Institute, an English brig was wrecked off the coast of Maryland. The crew and cargo and two Newfoundland puppies, a male and female, were rescued by an American ship. These dogs proved wonderful retrievers. They were bred with the Maryland hounds and, through years of breeding and cross breeding, there emerged what we know as the Chesapeake Bay Retriever. By 1885 there had been developed a type of dog which often retrieved more than 200 ducks a day in the icy, rough waters of Chesapeake bay, but that, of course, was a long time ago.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa

The Leaning Tower of Pisa is built in the Romanesque style. It is cylindrical and in eight stages, which at the base are solid with a wall arcade, the six above being surrounded within their small-columned arcades with galleries. The highest stage has six large arches to allow the sound of the bells to escape. The tower is 181 feet high and 5 1/2 feet in diameter at the base. It is inclined 13 feet 8 inches toward the south. About one-half of the sinking took place during construction.

Lighthouses Following a Bet

Everyone knows the amount of good done by our lighthouses, but how many know that but for a strange bet we would never have had any? In 1770 a scientist bet a friend that he would read a newspaper by the light of a farthing candle at 30 feet—a seemingly impossible task. Taking a wooden box, he lined the inside with mirrors so arranged as to form a concave lens. He then put the candle in position and, by its magnified light read his paper. From that bet came our modern lighthouses.

Towns Named With Numbers

Several American towns are named with numbers, such as Six, West Virginia; Seventy Six, Kentucky, and Ninety Six, South Carolina. A species of fish in South Africa, states a correspondent in Collier's Weekly, is named Seventy-four after the 74 guns on Nelson's flagship, the Victory; and a toilet water is named 4711 after the street address in Cologne, Germany, where it was first compounded.

LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS
FROM

O. J. THOMAS SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to school. I am in the second grade. I am 6 years old. Please bring me a doll bed. Please bring me a paint book. Please bring me a bicycle.

Joyce Marie Staton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a red wagon for Christmas and some fire works. Please don't forget the children that have no father or mother.

I am eleven years old. My birthday comes the fourteenth of March.

Dan Bradley.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old and in the fifth grade. I go to O. J. Thomas High School. I would like for you to go to the poor to let them know that you didn't forget them and don't forget anyone else. I want a football, boxing gloves, hat and a shirt. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Your pal,

Synoda W. Cherry.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I can read. Santa, please bring me a doll. I want a pair of wedged heel shoes. I want some dresses. I have a sister named Selma Grace Roberts. I want a tricycle. I want a play car. You are good to me.

Yours truly,

Audrene Roberts

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. My name is Ruby Lee Johnson. I am asking for the things which I have listed below: A doll with golden curls, a typewriter and some school supplies. Don't forget the children who haven't a mother or father. And bring my grandfather something too.

Yours truly,

Ruby L. Johnson.

First Grade

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am well and doing fine in my books. The school I go to is the O. J. Thomas High School. My teacher's name is Mrs. Hall. Santa Claus, will you please do something for me? My list will be apples, oranges, candy fire works, fire sprinklers and a 25c French harp. You like good little boys don't you?

Yours truly,

P. A. Coleman, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy 7 years old. I am in the first grade. Santa Claus, send me a toy bear and a wagon and a B. B. gun and a bicycle.

George Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:

Send me a doll. I am a girl 8 years old and send me a dress. I am in the first grade. I can read. Santa, please bring me a piano.

Yours truly,

Cordelia Woods.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl 8 years years old. I am in the first grade and I can read. Santa Claus, please bring me a doll.

Yours truly,

Doris Marie Young.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a doll and some dresses. Santa, I am a good girl! I am 7 years old. I can read.

Love to Santa Claus,

Lee Aycox.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial

district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant said petition alleging: The statutory

grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this 7th day of December A. D. 1938.

PENN WOLF,
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Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas.

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When you gather at your firesides Christmas our Best Wishes will be there with you and yours. In the New Year—1939—May you enjoy much Health and Prosperity.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM MAYSFIELD (Under School Age)

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl almost 6 years old. I will go to school after Christmas. I am expecting my supplies from you, especially my blackboard and color books. If you see my name on lots of other nice things they will bring me joy, Edith Baldrige. Please don't forget my black doll with red ribbons in her hair. Don't forget little sister.

Edith Lee Baldrige.

Dear Santa Claus:

For Christmas please bring me a big doll, a tricycle, a little wagon and fruit, nuts and candy. I am two years old.

Barbra Rae Hollingsworth.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been trying to be a good little girl. Santa, I love you lots. Please bring me a doll and buggy and some clothes to fit my doll. I want you to remember all the little girls in the whole wide world and please think of my little cousins, Barbra Joyce and Doris Mae, Thank you.

Joy Ann Thweatt.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 4 years old. I am not old enough to go to school. Please bring me a little wagon, tractor, fruit, nuts, candy and fire works, too. Bring my mother, brothers and sisters something. Don't forget other little children also.

Your little friend,
J. W. Beale.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 4 years old. Please bring me some toys including a little rocker.

Betty Holloway.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a wagon, a truck, apples and candy. From a good little boy.

Jesse Cohea.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy three years old. Please bring me a little gun, some apples, oranges and candy.

Nathan Pevehouse.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 11 months old. Please bring me a big red rubber ball to play with, some apples, oranges and candy.

Thomas Pevehouse.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 4 years old. Dear Old Santa, I want you to bring me a doll, a doll buggy, some fruit and candy. I will thank you very much.

Ollie Fae Weathers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy two years old. I want you to bring me a choo-choo train some candy and apples. Bring mother and daddy something also. I will thank you very much.

Kenneth Harber.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 4 years old. Please bring me a little red wagon, a little pistol that shoots caps, some fire crackers, candy, nuts and fruit. Thanks to you, dear Santa.

W. M. Mandrell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl three years old. I want a doll, a tricycle, a set of dishes, a Shirley Temple book, doll, chairs and table, one dress, socks, corduroy overalls, some nuts and fruit.

Your little friend,
Shirley Dean Hairston.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me the little car that I rode in Saturday, the one with the bells on it. Also fire works, nuts fruit and candy. I'll try to be a good little boy. Now please bring all the other little boys and girls lots of things.

Kenneth Thomas Thweatt.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy three years old. Please bring me a red truck with lights on it, a ball, a color book and anything else that you want to bring me.

Your friend,
Jack Massengale.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 15 months old. Please bring me two rattlers, two cars and some candy. Thank you. Allen Foster Smith.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an air gun, a tricycle, fruit and nuts. Thank you very much.

Yours truly,
Wayne Bryant.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big doll buggy and lots of fruit and candy. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls. I will be 3 years old Christmas.

Your little friend,
Doris Mae Thweatt.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring me an automatic pistol and nuts. I have been a good little boy. I help my mother by bringing in the wood.

Your little friend,
Buster Weems.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl one year old. Please bring me a ball, a little dog, a little doll, candy and fruit.

Your little friend,
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Annual Consumption of Bread

There are eaten in this country annually about 10,000,000,000 loaves of bread. This is enough to encircle the earth at the equator 60 times, and would form a golden brown highway about 30 feet wide. And what easy riding it would be.—Food Industries.

Wesley's 'Rule of Life'

John Wesley's "Rule of Life" was: "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

Australia, the Shadeless Land

Australia has been called the shadeless land because the leaves of some of its trees always present their edges to the sky. Some of the trees have foliage composed merely of needles, while others are entirely leafless.



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Please bring me a ring, lipstick, face powder and candy.

Love,
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Dear Santa Claus:

Santa, please bring me a ring and a handkerchief.

Ygmain Vega.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a tie, a knife and a ball.

Love,
John Benavidez

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a twenty-two rifle, some fruit, nuts and candy.

Ernest Ramirez.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some dishes, a doll, a handkerchief and some candy and fruit.

Guadalupe Reges.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, knife, fruit, nuts and candy.

J. D. Fuson.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some dishes, a doll, fruit and candy.

Love,
Juanita Rodriquez.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a knife, a tie, and a twenty-two rifle. Please bring me some candy.

Love,
Amborsio Ramirez.

Greeks Had Open-Air Theaters

Open-air theater is nothing new. Plays presented by the ancient Greeks were given under the sky as a roof. Many Greek cities owned outdoor theaters where no admission was charged.

Naming Brazil's Capital City

The capital city of Brazil was named Rio de Janeiro, meaning river of January, by its discoverer, the Portuguese explorer, Andre Goncalves, who sailed into it on January 1, 1502.

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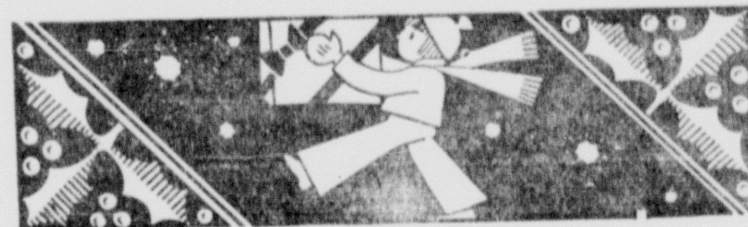
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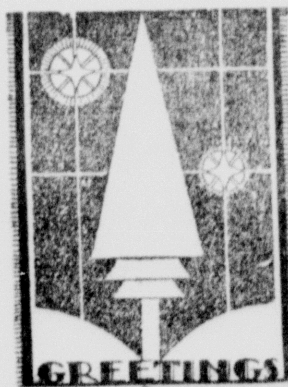
To Our Friends and Patrons

We find no pleasure as genuine at this Happy Season as the privilege of saying to you, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

You have made our progress possible and our success for the year we attribute to your Friendship and your Patronage.

May Santa Claus dig deep into his treasure store this Christmas and make you Happy and in the New Year may every good thing be yours.

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Greetings of the Season

We want to remember with this published Greeting of the Season the many friends who made our progress possible in 1938.

We recall with pride that we not only had the good fortune to serve old friends but new ones as well. We have an especial reason for happiness this Christmas and we trust that each one among our large family of patrons will be Happy. In the New Year we want you to share in full measure the benefits of Peace, Prosperity and Good Health.

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Through the Years . . .

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78 years ago . . . in 1860 . . . The Cameron Herald sent its first Christmas Greetings to readers and to the people.

The years have written a story more romantic than these lines. Three quarters of a century and more have given countless opportunities for service. How this old newspaper has met the challenge of these stirring periods to serve its city, county and state, brings the Publishers an abiding satisfaction.

We look to the Future. The years are old tombs. Days to come hold the torch that points the way.

If at this Happy Season these Sincere Greetings find you enjoying the blessing of Peace and we share in your Good Will our observance of Christmas will be complete.

For Old Friends, for new ones, for your confidence and your loyalty, we are deeply grateful.

1938 brought The Herald a greater prestige because it brought growth and increased possibilities of Service.

The Cameron Herald

JEFFERSON B. WHITE, Editor and Publisher.
MISS MARIE FORD, Associate Editor.

MATT. B. BAILEY, Operator.
HARRY LEE KENNON, Assistant.

EXPRESSION STUDIES

For Real Christmas Spirit Take the Youngsters Shopping



In Santa Claus' court at one of America's big department stores a fast photographer caught these candid shots of youthful shoppers going about their business. They're pictures you might find in any store in the country this time of the year.



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM LONG MOTT SCHOOL Green Lake, Calhoun County, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl 13 years old. I go to Long Mott school. I am in the fifth grade. My teacher is named Miss Wood. She is a good teacher. I am a Milam county girl and I live in Calhoun county. Now I want to tell what I want for Christmas. I want some fruit, nuts and candy. And also bring me a crystal radio and a truck

bank with a key. Please bring me a rain coat size 16, a rain cap size 16 inches and a pair of rubber boots size 5, and bring me two dresses size 15.

Now this will be all. Don't forget the orphan children. Be sure to come and see me. I hope you will have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I am a very poor girl and

I am trying to be a good girl this year. Bring my father a pair of socks and some black shoes, size 12.
Louise Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl six years of age. I go to Long Mott school. My teacher is named Miss Bindwald. I am in the first grade. I am a good girl at home and at school. I am a Milam county girl and I live in Calhoun county. I am a poor little girl. Please bring my teacher a pair of beads. Please bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Bring me a rain cap, and a rain coat, size 8, and boots size 2 1-2. Also bring me a buggy and a doll, two chairs and a table. And bring me a cooking and baking set. If this is too much, please leave some of it out. This will be all. Don't forget the orphans and don't forget me. I hope you will have a happy new year and a Merry Christmas.

Angeline Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a 11 year old girl. I go to Long Mott school. I am in the fifth grade. My teacher is named Miss Wood. She is a good teacher. I am a Milam county girl and I live in Calhoun county. Bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Please bring me a rain coat size 12, a rain cap, size 6, and a pair of rubber boots, size 4 1-2. Also bring me a ventrilo. Bring me a Shirley Temple doll about three feet tall. Please bring me a pair of shoes, size 4 1-2 and two dresses size 11. Be sure to bring some socks size 3 1/2 that match the dresses. This will be all. Don't forget the orphan children. Be sure and come to see me. I hope you will have a Merry Christmas and happy New Year. I ma a very poor girl.

Manella Kathrine Fisher.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a 9 year old boy. I go to Long Mott school. My teacher is named Mrs. Sally Bierman. I am a Milam county boy. I live in Calhoun county. I am a good boy and my teacher is good to me. Please bring me a rain cap, size 22 1-2, a rain coat, size 12 1-2 and rubber boots, size 4 1-2. Bring fruit, nuts and candy. Please bring me an air gun and an airplane that can fly. I want two pair of overalls size 14.

Please bring my mother a dutch oven and an eight day clock. I hope

you will read this letter. We are very poor. I hope you will have a happy new year and a Merry Christmas. Be sure and come to see us.
Leon Julius Fisher.

New Year's Is Big Event In Horse Racing Circles

There's a big birthday party in horse racing circles on New Year's day. Twelve thousand thoroughbreds in training, in common with all other horses, become a year older.

To old timers like Man o' War, celebrating his twenty-second birthday in old Kentucky, the day doesn't mean much. But to approximately 5,000 yearlings and at least half that many two-year-olds, it marks the turning point of their careers.

Yearlings become eligible to appear under colors for the first time, while the juvenile racers join the rich three-year-old ranks, ready for participation in such moneyed events as the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and the Belmont.

The Herald brings to you the greetings of your friends.

'Silent Night, Holy Night'



NEW YORK.—Youthful members of the choir of St. Vincent of Ferrer's church, New York, lift their boyish voices in the unforgettable hymns of Christmas. Throughout the United States, church choral groups are preparing special music for Yuletide recitals, for song plays an all-important part in the observance of Christmas. No church music is better known than Yuletide hymns.



TO THE PEOPLE OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

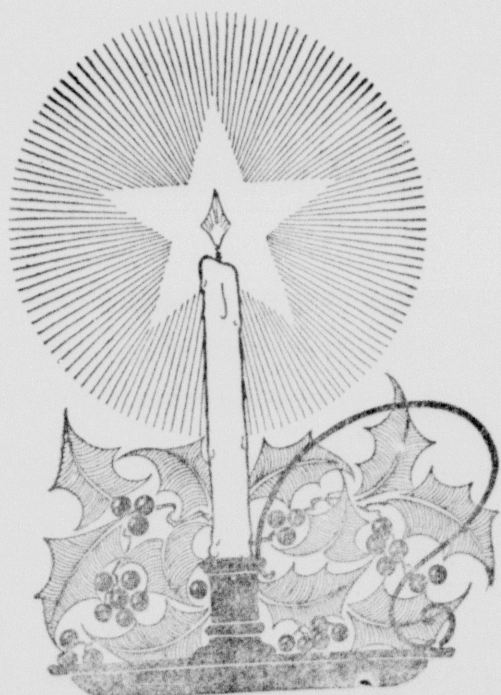
It is with a feeling of deep obligation that I approach the happy season of the year when Greetings and Good Wishes are the order of the day.

I want to join in the spirit of the time and send my best wishes to the people of Commissioners Precinct No. 1. In 1937 you elected me to the office of commissioner. In January 1938 I took the oath and began my service to the people.

B. M. McMILLION

Commissioner Precinct No. 1.

A Christmas Thought



AND HAPPY
NEW YEAR

As you gather with your friends and loved ones for a happy Christmas, and as we gather with ours, remember that we shall be thinking of the innumerable associations that have meant so much to us. That's why we'll be thinking of you. Your friendships has made our Christmas happy.

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Sincere Appreciation

This, my second Christmas, as owner of the new Magnolia Service Station, brings me opportunity to express more than usual gratitude.

During the brief time I have been engaged in this business of my own, your patronage has been all that I could expect and for your part in the success of this business I am deeply grateful.

I wish to extend to one and all my sincere Thanks and to say that May you be Happy at Christmas time and in the New Year may you have in abundance Good Health, Prosperity and Peace.

I am looking forward to the New Year with the hope of serving you again and keeping in mind every possible means to improve my service.

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Cameron, Texas

Lights of New York

by L. L. STEVENSON

The more I go down to the tip end of Manhattan, the more Battery park intrigues my interest and excites my fancy. The marine panorama is never the same. It varies with every hour of the day or night. It is a truly moving picture. The harbor is never still. Along in the thin hours of the morning, the passing of lights here and there on the dark waters may be only occasional. But the harbor is not still. It is not still at dawn, at high noon or when the lights of the office buildings of Manhattan go out or shine only for scrubwomen and porters. The work of the harbor never is done. It continues 24 hours a day. And so far as I have learned, there is never an hour but that it is worth observing.

Dawn is greeted with whistles. Tugs come out in fleets. They always seem to be in a hurry, churning along with a white bone in their teeth. The big ferries begin bringing over Staten Island residents along with loads of fresh vegetables from the gardens of the borough of Richmond. Or perhaps from New Jersey by the way of the Kill von Kull bridge. Coast guard sailors start polishing up the government cutters that take customs men, immigration officials, newspaper men and others down the bay to meet liners. Smoke curls lazily from the stack of the Ellis island ferry. The funny little Governor's island ferry starts its trips between the military reservation and the mainland. Dredges, pile drivers and other work boats go into action. The harbor comes to life with a rush.

Along about 9 a. m., liners start coming up the bay. As they leave the Narrows, they look like stately white clouds. Suddenly they change to ships. Ships with white sides and glittering brass; with huge funnels spouting smoke streamers. Almost always the rails are lined with passengers. Home-comers and visitors. All eager for the Statue of Liberty and a close-up view of the famous skyline of New York. There is much whistling, for a big liner doesn't have a great deal of room in the harbor traffic. Smaller craft scurry out of the way and the liner passes slowly with all the majesty of a monarch. Watching the incoming liners from Battery park to me is better than any stage production. It isn't a one-way picture either. Hardly have the incoming liners docked then those outbound leave their piers and creep down the Hudson into the bay and then speed out to sea.

Every kind of craft that will float passes Battery park. Every kind of ship from the humble cargo carrier to the queens of the sea. Every private boat from extremely small ones propelled by the strength of human arms to the big yachts of Morgan or Astor, craft that can go around the world without refuelling. As for the work boats, they range from scows to floating factories and from barges to grain elevators. There is even the suggestion of Noah's ark in some of the barges. Animals of various kinds form the cargo. Animals on their way to slaughter. Animals that let their presence be known by moos, baas, squeals and grunts.

Saturday night is the busy time at the Battery during the summer months. Various excursion boats depart from there. The Sandy Hook and Atlantic Highland boats. The excursion steamers that go up the Hudson. The boats for Rye and other beaches. The crowds are gay and colorful. The competition of the ticket sellers is hot. Venders do a heavy business. But whether Saturday night, or any other time, the Battery to me is attractive. So attractive, I think I'll sneak down there right away.

Times Square eavesdropping: "He's the kind of a guy that tosses a nickel to a beggar and expects a \$10 credit in Saint Peter's books."

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Houses of Glass Are Now Rapidly Nearing Reality

TOLEDO.—The glass house, a few years ago a dream of the distant future, today is almost a reality, according to an architectural survey made under the direction of John D. Biggers, Toledo glass manufacturer, who also conducted the national unemployment census for the federal government.

Houses built during 1938 are estimated to contain double the window area of those erected a generation ago, the survey reveals. One company alone produced 10 square miles of flat glass last year, more than two square feet for every man, woman and child in the country.

The increased use of glass has made the art of "bringing the outdoors in" a dominating note in modern architecture. "Picture windows"—windows of plate glass built especially to frame a desired view—are component parts of homes being designed today, the report says. Recent perfection of structural glasses like vitrolite is extending the interior use of glass too. This new type of glass is being used to make gleaming, cheerful all-glass kitchens, the report continues.

Woman Runs Circus
ADELAIDE.—Australia's biggest circus, the Wirth circus, is managed by Miss Doris Wirth.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

FROM WALKERS CREEK SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is William August Spicak. I live in Cameron and am asking for a typewriter, a Texas Ranger gun, some bullets, nuts and candy. Bring me some fruits this Christmas. Please don't forget the poor children.

Love,
William Spicak.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old and go to the Ada Henderson School. Please bring me a doll, a dresser, a typewriter, and candy and fruit. Bring Miss Trice a new dress. Don't forget my mother and dad.

Love,
Harriette Dodson.

Dear Santa Claus:

There are six children in my family. Please don't forget us. I'd like a story book, a doll and a dresser set.

Your friend,
La Nell Price.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 8 years old and go to the Ada Henderson School. Please bring me a B. B. gun and nuts. Bring Miss Trice a gift. Don't forget my mother and dad.

Love,
John Thomas La Cook, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a story book, house shoes, pajamas and a pair of Roman sandals. I'll leave a piece of cake for you on the mantel.

Love,
Lena Riddle.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Andy. I live in Cameron and am asking for two scabbards, two boxes of shots, and a

story book. Please don't forget the poor children. Don't forget Miss Trice. I want some fruit too.

Your friend,
Andy Lee Seeton.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Reuben Bailey. I live in Cameron and am asking for a gun and scrapbook, a train and a track and some fruits this Christmas. Please don't forget the poor children.

Love,
Reuben Bailey.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Bobbie Sue. I live in Cameron and am asking for a bicycle, some story books, and a doll 25 inches high. Bring Miss Trice a box of candy. Please don't forget the poor children. Bring a box of toys for them.

Love,
Bobbie Sue Richards

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Jolly Joice. I live in Cameron and am asking for a doll bed this Christmas. Please don't forget to leave me some nuts, fruit and candy.

Love,
Jolly Joice Seeton.

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Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a dresser set and some good things to eat.

Your friend,
Helen Setzer.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is David Dees. I live in Cameron and am asking for a barn, a truck that holds 200 pounds, a B. B. gun, and a box of shots. Bring Miss Trice a box of candy. Please don't forget the children.

Love,
David Bryan Dees.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Grady Allen. I live in Cameron and am asking for a Lone Ranger gun, a scabbard, a machine gun and a gold watch. Please bring my teacher some fruit.

Grady Allen

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Stanley Fikes. I live in Cameron and am asking for a machine gun, two scabbards and guns, and a truck, three boxes of shots, a Lone Ranger gun and some books



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and a comb. Please don't forget the poor children.

Love,
Stanley Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Noel Buff. I live in Cameron and am asking for a Lone Ranger gun and scabbard.

Noel Newton Buff.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Wayne. I live in Cameron and am asking for a watch and fruit this Christmas. Please don't forget the poor children. Bring Miss Trice a pair of shoes and a comb.

Wayne Gibbs.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Dorothy Lee Foster. I live in Cameron and am asking for a raincoat, a cap, a diaper doll, and a roll top desk.

Love,
Dorothy Lee Foster.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Ray Gene Price. I live in Cameron and am asking for a B. B. gun, dominoes, cards and some fruit and candy. Please don't forget the poor children.

Love,
Ray Gene Price.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Willie Fletcher. I live in Cameron and am asking for a sleepy doll, a doll buggy, fruit, candy and doll clothes this Christmas. I go to the Ada Henderson school.

Your friend,
Willie Fletcher.

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is B. R. Fletcher. I live in Cameron and this Christmas I want a gun and some fruit. Don't forget the poor children. Bring them some gum and fruit.

Love,
B. R. Fletcher.

It's a Pleasure



to wish all of our friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We thank you sincerely for your friendships and patronage, and trust that we may continue to be of service to you in the years to come.

AUDITORIUM BARBER SHOP

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

"It was Many Long Years Ago"

That we first said "Merry Christmas" to our friends in this community. Each year it has given us greater pleasure, because each year has seen new additions to our list of friends and customers.

Today, as on our first Christmas here, we are glad of the privilege to send Season's Greetings to each of you. Today, as every year before this, we sincerely wish for you and yours a new year that will mean continued happiness and prosperity. May new pleasures and joys be yours.



Cameron Ice & Cold Storage

Socialite Talks Ranch Language

**Speaks to Cowboys in Their
Own Tongue; Assumes
Foreman's Job.**

SAN FRANCISCO.—Perfection in the use of ranch language and in a manner to make a real rancher sit up has enabled Mrs. Roma Ware, New York, Paris, Pebble Beach and Del Monte socialite, to make a success of a 3,000-acre sheep ranch in Nevada, she admitted in a recent visit here.

Furthermore, Mrs. Ware, formerly Mrs. Henry H. Wehrname of New York, declared she was getting the "kick" of her life out of it.

"It's a hard life," she admitted, "but I love it. And the natives are marvelous. I have the deepest sympathy for these ranchers who gamble year after year with the harsh elements of Nevada. They are real people."

Ranch Talk a Necessity.

But to make a ranch succeed, Mrs. Ware asserted that you have got to learn to talk "ranch talk" and talk it in a manner that will make things hum.

"I'm learning to talk rough enough now to make the ranch go," she admitted. "You know that it's the language that counts."

"I used to be a lady and say, 'Henry, what are you doing?' But now I stand back and shout, 'Henry, what the — are you doing?'"

"Then, too, I am beginning to know the difference between a cow and a steer."

Mrs. Ware bought her ranch just after winning a divorce at Reno.

The ranch is 32 miles from civilization, "if that is what you call Reno," she said, "and is located near Lake Pyramid."

"I couldn't even spell 'alfalfa' when I bought the ranch," Mrs. Ware declared.

"However, I had a San Francisco architect build me a house of pink-tinted canyon rock, the finest house he has ever built, and with a veranda all around it. From there I can watch the boys work in all the corrals. They hate it because I have binoculars and can watch them all the time to see if they work properly. They call me 'old battle ax.'"

Is Her Own Foreman.

"I am thinking even of installing a loud-speaker so that I can scare the life out of them by suddenly bellowing to some loafing worker."

Mrs. Ware is her own foreman.

"I couldn't find a competent foreman," she said. "I found I was paying men to learn. So I decided I'd take over the job myself."

Mrs. Ware boasts of the fact that she has a police badge from the Reno police force, a deputy game warden's badge to keep people from shooting sage hens and possesses an amazing collection of gadgets, including spring tooth harrows, tractors, graders and angle dozers.

"I'm a first-rate 'cat skinner,'" she said, "and every time I see a new government road equipment I look it over for a new gadget for my ranch. I grease my own tractor and I planned my own irrigation system."

"There is only one thing left for me to learn, and that is how to roll my own cigarettes."

Violins Oust Pencils in

Ontario Kindergartens

LONDON, ONT.—Pupils in seven city kindergartens will learn to handle a violin before they become well acquainted with a lead pencil, it was revealed in the announcement that the London board of education has increased the number of its "quarter-sized" instruments to 33.

The addition of the "baby violins" is part of the program to extend musical activities in the primary schools of London. Mindful that more than 1,300 persons attended the minor recitals given by school children last year the musical department will double the number of recitals, E. W. Quantz, music director, has announced.

Indications are that the number studying in instrumental classes will be increased almost as much as they were last year when 569 students took lessons. This was a 25 per cent increase in the number registered the preceding year.

The board of education owns more than 300 musical instruments and gives courses in vocal music as well. Little children practice their violin lessons on the quarter-sized instruments. Last year courses were given for the kindergartens at Ryerson, Lady Beck and Ealing schools. The names of the schools which will be added to the list this year have not yet been announced.

Fraternity House Dog

Has Own Meal Ticket

AMHERST, MASS.—Tony, the silken-eared spaniel mascot of Phi Delta Theta fraternity at Amherst college, has his own meal ticket entitling him to 10 hamburger sandwiches a week at Cramer's diner.

Regularly Tony saunters into the diner and makes known his craving to the short-order cook. The hamburgers are charged to his meal card—which usually is exhausted by the middle of the week. Each Saturday fraternity members renew it.

10 Per Cent Hike In Opposition to Bonds

With a total of only 237 votes cast on Tuesday, the property tax payers of Cameron authorized the issuance of \$180,000 in revenue bearing bonds for the purchase of the properties of the Community Public Service Company.

The vote was the most negligible manifestation of interest in a bond issue of this magnitude in the history of the city. The result was 144 votes cast for the bonds and 93 votes cast against the bonds.

Those who have watched developments in the city's program to obtain possession of the water company, find reasonable satisfaction in the results of the election because when compared with the previous election on September 28, 1937, at which time the voters authorized the bond issue of \$150,000 an increase of ten per cent in opposition to the issuance of the bonds is shown. In the previous election in 1937 a total of 519 votes were cast, 364 votes for the bonds and 155 votes were cast against the bonds. The fact that only 237 votes were cast in the election on Tuesday, is taken as evidence of a sharp lessening of interest in the public utility program of the city. It was believed that when succeeding elections are called, additional gains will be shown when the situation is understood by the people at large.

When the people authorized issue of \$180,000 on Tuesday, the previous bond issue was cancelled so that the city now has for negotiating purposes \$30,000 more than under the previous authorization.

The properties of the water company are not for sale and will not be sold and in the event they are offered for sale, at any time in the future, it will be necessary for the people to again vote upon the question because the amount of bonds authorized on Tuesday are insufficient and will avail the people nothing, because the city has reached no agreement with the water company on the value of its system notwithstanding the fact that a committee of engineers have reported back fixing the value in excess of \$171,000 on the properties of the company in Cameron. The city is still without a system of water works and those who are conversant with the facts believe no hope is seen for any such ownership.

The Community Public Service Company will resist in the courts any effort to confiscate its properties in Cameron. Continued manifestation of a low average of interest in public affairs is responsible for the continued success of these inadequate bond elections.

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant



We can say "Merry Christmas" with genuine feeling this year when we think of friends and customers who made our progress possible in 1939.

We want to serve you again in 1939.

May you be Happy and Prosperous in the New Year.

**RYLANDER'S
DAIRY**

said petition alleging: The statutory grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this the 7th day of December A. D. 1938.

(Seal) PENN WOLF,
Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas. 34-41

The Herald brings to you the greetings of your friends.

Naming Pere Marquette Railroad

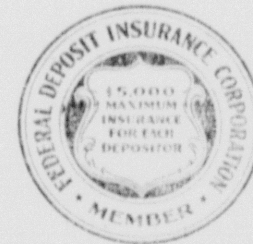
Just how the Pere Marquette railroad got its name is a story known to few outside Ludington, Michigan. Ludington was originally named Pere Marquette after the explorer and missionary who died on the shore of the Pere Marquette river here, says a Ludington correspondent in the Detroit Free Press. When a railroad was projected across the state from Flint it was naturally called the Flint and Pere Marquette railroad. But before the road was completed here, James Ludington had acquired most of this town and the name was changed to Ludington. Then the eastern terminus of the road was extended to Detroit rather than Flint, which left the name meaningless. However, as the name had been widely advertised, its owners didn't want to change it entirely, so they just shortened it to Pere Marquette railroad.



Small Enough to be Friendly;

Large Enough to be Helpful!

**The
Citizens**

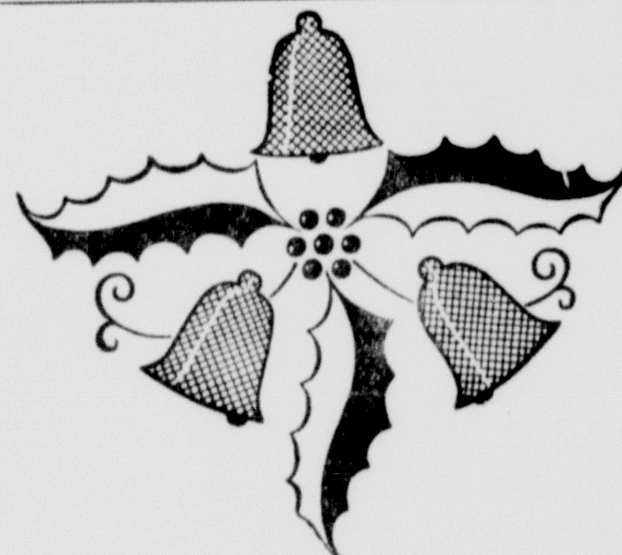


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and Good Wishes for the New Year

WE'RE MIGHTY PLEASED

.. with the splendid patronage we have had during the past year, and trusting that we will merit your continued consideration next year, we wish each of you

A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a New Year of Health, Happiness and Prosperity



FORD'S DAIRY

SINCE 1919

NEW OUTLOOK

By Gregg Alexander

"A glorious New Year's day, isn't it?" the young man asked.

Molly aroused herself. She had noticed this attractive young man on the boat, of course. Molly had avoided him, however. If she hadn't been so absorbed with her own gloomy thoughts he wouldn't have gotten near enough to speak.

"Yes, it is," she replied coldly. But as she looked up into his merry face, her own sad countenance thawed.

"Gee, but you are swell looking when you smile," he blurted out. "I've been wondering how you'd look with a smile on that pretty face."

Molly couldn't help but laugh. He sounded like a child. Then she grew sober.

"If you knew what makes me sad: my eyesight going, my fiancé de-

A NEW YEAR STORY

ciding he didn't want a blind wife,"—she started. But Jack stopped her.

"Start the New Year thinking of what you have, not pitying yourself. You have money to travel."

"Surely. Money!" Molly agreed disgustedly.

"More than ordinary good looks. Education, I should judge. A fair amount of charm. I can't judge that accurately, for you've kept it shut off." His tone was so droll that Molly had to laugh.

"Well, you do paint rather a strong picture, Mr. Pollyanna. You have your fair share of charm and good looks too," she responded, with a provocative smile.

"Stop it, stop it," Jack pleaded in mock alarm. "Turn it off, turn off the charm. I'm too susceptible."

"All right. Since you had the courage to tackle the glummiest girl on board ship, maybe I'd better try making myself agreeable." Molly was still smiling, but there was a look of determination on her face.

"Sure thing. Be a good sport. Take life as it comes."

A trace of bitterness returned to Molly's tone as she said: "It's easy for you to talk, with health and good looks and everything to make life easy."

Jack laughed. "Lots you know about it. They told me five months ago I had six months to live. But I'm showing them they're mistaken. Aren't your eyes better?"

Molly looked at him in astonishment: "You mean it, really? And you so full of fun all the time? Oh, my eyes, you say. Yes, they really are better."

"I was sure of it. Well, I'm off to see the mate. His wife wants him to give up the sea and settle down on land. The idea is driving him nuts. So long, I'll be seeing you. Good luck, and Happy New Year!"

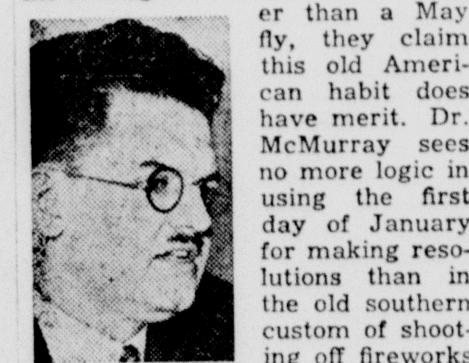
It's Open Season
For Resolutions;
Made Yours Yet?

CHICAGO.—It's again time for New Year's resolutions and psychologists have something to say about it.

"Humbug," is the comment of Dr. Robert N. McMurray, executive secretary of the Chicago Psychological corporation.

"He's wrong," answers Dr. George W. Crane, noted psychologist with Northwestern university.

Although most scientists admit the average resolution lives no longer than a May fly, they claim this old American habit does have merit. Dr. McMurray sees no more logic in using the first day of January for making resolutions than in the old southern custom of shooting off fireworks at Christmas, but he admits that people most meticulous about their obligations are more likely to keep New Year's promises.



"A good resolution," he says, "becomes a compromise solution to the conscience conflict. The man who makes one says to himself, 'I will make a resolution not to do this or that which I should not during the forthcoming year.' Although it's not the same as refraining from such actions, it does have some value in quieting the conscience's reproaches."

But Dr. Crane is more hopeful. "It is wise to make resolutions," he says, "since the first step in progress of any sort consists of formulating the plans."

For those without sins to expiate, he suggests the following ideas:

"Pay a sincere compliment to your wife or husband, your children or neighbors."

"Don't wait for death to tear the selfishness from your eyes, after which, in remorse, you heap extra bouquets on the coffin."

"Resolve now to pay at least three sincere compliments every day in 1939."

LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS
FROM
AD HALL SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, a piano, a purse, candy and fruits. Don't forget the poor little children.

Your friend,
Doris Fay Kraatz.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a sack of apples and oranges, some candy, a little truck, a little horse cart and bring my little brother an airplane.

Your little friend,
Charles Kraatz.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a piano, Shirley Temple doll, a purse, candy, fruit and nuts. I go to Ad Hall School. I am in the second grade.

With love,
Lillian Dorothy Rubac.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a gun, a baseball and bat, a toy car, a passenger train, some candy, nuts and fruit. I am in the first grade at Ad Hall.

Your friend,
Franklin Rubac.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a car, a train, some little dishes, an airplane, candy and some fruit. Remember my little brother and sister, Marvin and Bobby Jean.

With love,
Denson Rubac.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football, a Tommy gun, a truck, a shirt and tie, some story books, candy, nuts and fruit. And don't forget all the good little children and the poor children.

Your friend,
Thomas Floyd McDonald.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a little wagon, some candy, some fruit, a tablet and a pencil and fire crackers.

Your little friend,
William Shepherd.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a house coat, a pair of house shoes, a little dresser, a coat, some story books and some things to play with and nuts, candies and fruits.

Don't forget the orphans and all the poor and the good children.

Your friend,
Jessie Louise McDonald.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ball and bat, fire crackers, some candy, nuts and fruit. I am in the first grade. I go to school at Ad Hall.

With love,
Nelson Janes.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a football, a basketball, a blackboard, some toys, candy, nuts, apples and oranges. I will be a good boy.

Your little friend,
Joe Johnny Kral.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football, a basketball, a side board wagon, candy, fruit and nuts.

I go to school at Ad Hall. I am in the second grade.

With love,
Johnnie Kamenicky.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some nuts, and fruit for Christmas, a little doll, a doll bed, some doll dresses, a bottle for my baby doll, a doll house, a talent and pencil and some crayolas.

My little sisters both want dolls and tea dishes. Don't forget my little friends.

With love,
Mary Kilodejak.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl so this year I want you to bring me a doll, a purse, some candy, two tablets and three pencils.

Your friend,
Sidonia Lazek.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a blackboard, chalk and eraser, some fruit, candy, nuts, and fire crackers. Don't forget the poor children. I am in the second grade at Ad Hall.

Your friend,
Delphine Janes.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a gun, a blackboard, a truck, a ball and bat, candy nuts, fruits and firecrackers. Don't forget my little brother, Billie Ray. He wants a little train, a little car, a doll, candy, fruits, nuts and fire crackers. Bring my teacher a nice present, too. Her name is Mrs. Cox. I live at Ad Hall.—Love,

Johnnie Thomas Barrett.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football, a little train, a blackboard, a tablet and pencil, colors, apples, oranges, nuts and fire crackers.

Your little friend
Thomas Michalka.

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B. & B. STUDIO



To those who have made possible in 1938 the growth and development of our Agency in Cameron and over the territory, we send our sincere Greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We are happy in the thought of your good will and confidence and in the knowledge that an increased number found GULF products profitable in 1938.

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CHRISTMASHAPPY
NEW YEAR
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SERVICE STATION



Responsible for our progress has been the Friends and Patrons who gave us in generous measure their patronage in 1938.

To express to each one our appreciation is a privilege we enjoy at this time. The happiness at Christmas time is made more generous because of the remembrances of those whose loyalty has made our business possible.

When you celebrate Christmas, remember our best wishes will be there with you and yours. May you share in large measure in 1939 in the prosperity you justly deserve.

TOM MOWDY

Dry Cleaner.

Cameron, Texas

FRENCHMAN TELLS STRANGE STORY OF WAR EXPERIENCE

**Prisoner, Freed by Kaiser to
Visit Home in France,
Returns to Germany.**

Paris.—One of the strange stories of the World war has just come out of the Perpignan district, in the south of France.

It's about Andre-Pierre Cales, a stocky grocer of Belves, who in 1916 obtained leave of absence from a German prison camp, visited his native village in France and then returned to Germany as a captive for the duration of the war.

Incredible as the story may seem, M. Cales has documentary evidence to prove his story. On the wall of his store is the framed permit of the German authorities, signed by the kaiser, permitting him to leave Germany for eight days on condition that he return to the prison camp.

Captured by Germans.

In 1914 Cales was assigned to the one hundred ninth infantry. He fought with his regiment through the first battle of the Marne. But on February 12, 1915, he was wounded at Suippes and was captured when the rest of his company fell back in temporary retreat. He was sent to a military hospital at Spire and later was interned at Wurzburg in Bavaria.

Early next year Private Cales received a letter from his wife, mailed from their home in Belves. She told him his father was dying, that daily his father wondered why he was not at the bedside. She urged him to do everything in his power to persuade the German authorities to permit him to come home, even if it were for only a few days.

Cales tried. It looked hopeless. Then the commander of the prison camp informed him that the kaiser had granted permission. That same night, February 23, 1916, he boarded a train for Switzerland.

Keeps the Faith.

So extraordinary was the situation that the French authorities did not believe him at first. In the end they let him into France, guarded by an officer, but they questioned him so long that he only had three days at home.

When he reached Belves, his wife, in mourning, greeted him at the door. His father had died the week before.

During the three days at home Cales was the wonder of the village, Cales and the bodyguard that followed him wherever he went. Why, he was asked, should he keep the agreement and return to Germany? Cales replied that was the bargain, and three days later he boarded a train for Switzerland, and more than half of his former friends thought there was something wrong with him.

Cales went back to the prison camp. In 1919 he was freed. Once again he took the train to Belves.

He says today that he has not left Belves since—and never intends to.

Brakeman Dies Sticking to Wild Train in Wreck

Copperhill, Tenn.—Few heroes about to defy death will ask whether posterity will remember them. Nor did a forty-two-year-old brakeman on a copper mine railway here.

Clarence Howard was aboard a five car freight train when the cars broke away from the engine. He could have leaped safely to the ground, but stuck with his train to forestall what he knew would be a certain wreck unless he applied the hand brakes. Crawford applied those brakes. But too late. There was a crash. He was wedged between two telescoped cars.

Fellow workers could not pull him out. Crawford told them so. He told them to wait for acetylene torches to burn away the twisted steel that compressed his pain wracked body. When the torches arrived Crawford coolly directed the men cutting through the steel.

At the end of three hours Crawford lost consciousness. For five hours more far into dark, his rescuers worked to free him. They succeeded, but Crawford was dead—a hero.

"Party Driving" Helps in More Ways Than One

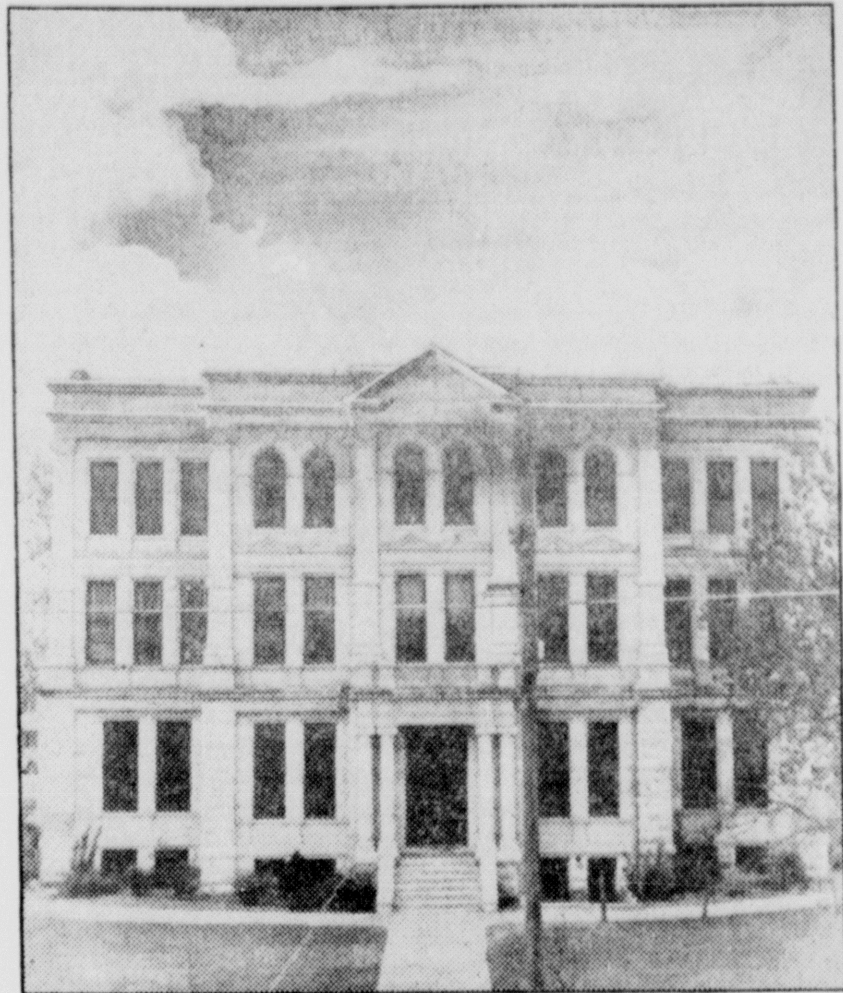
Denver.—University students' ingenuity has created a new method of earning money to defray expenses. The latest wrinkle is "party driving."

The "party drivers" guarantee sober driving for students on parties. Denver police have started to arrest several drivers of late whose cars were filled with singing, shouting college students, only to be checked by the explanation: "I'm a party driver."

Kicks Against Fate Over Third Girl; Cuts Foot

New York.—Pete Tsacomas, twenty-seven years old, was hoping all along that finally his wife would have a son, and when she had a daughter, making it three in a row, he was so angry he walked right up to a store in Brooklyn and kicked in the glass. His foot swathed in bandages, he limped before Magistrate Mark Rudich in Flatbush court, who reproved him for kicking against fate.

How the Courthouse Will Look in the Future



Here is a picture of the architects drawing showing the Cameron court house as it will appear in the future with its new roof.

McClellan, Brown and McClellan of Waco were awarded contract to do the work according to plans and specifications prepared by J. E. Johnson, local architect.

Work includes concrete roof, plastered ceilings, new electrical system, repairing, remodeling and decorating interior terrazzo floors, etc. Making a modern and fire proof building throughout.

Through grant from the Government of \$11,659 it is made possible for the county commissioners to save the tax payers of Milam County large sums of money in the years to come.

The cost of the project to the County is \$13,160 all of which will be paid in full within less than 18 years from savings in repair expenditures.

Repairs to Court House have cost the people of this County some \$15,-

000 during the past Twenty years over and above normal operation and maintenance, all of which will be saved in the future by the project. In addition to eliminating future repairs, the people of the County save \$200 or more annually on insurance premiums.

This project of repairs and alterations to the Court House was considered by the Commissioners of Milam County to be a sound business and money saving deal whereby the people of the county will be relieved of a large tax burden in the years to come.

When present repairs are completed on the Milam county court house, it will lose much of its former architectural beauty and much is to be lost because the old building represents a type of structure that has made Texas famous.

The clock which for forty-six years has chimed the time of day and its tower structure with the Statue of Justice topping the skyline in Cameron will be dismantled and will be

seen no more. Many protests have been heard against the loss of the clock which was installed at considerable cost but architects say that it would be impossible to repair the present roof as the cost would be too large to pay. Due to the number of structures, gables, valleys, and towers on the building, it is said that a permanent roof is difficult to construct.

The court house finally completed in 1892 is old enough to have outlived the bonds voted for its construction and remains clear of debt to the tax payers. This bit of interesting history has been taken from the records of the commissioners' court in the office of the County Clerk, Homer Nabours.

The grand jury of Milam county in its report to the district court at its October term in 1889 said that the old court house was unsafe and authorized the building of a new one. The district clerk was authorized to advertise for bids in the Galveston Daily News for one week. On December 12, 1889 the court accepted the plans of A. O. Watson, architect and bids for the construction of the building were to be received and opened were to be received until March 28, 1890. At a session of the court on March 13, 1890, the bid submitted by Lee and Plumer was approved. The cost represented by the contract given Lee and Plumer was \$75,040.00. The contractors reported to the commissioners' court that \$3,726.20 would be required to repair the old building. The court levied a tax of fifteen cents on the one hundred dollar valuation for five years and ten cents for the following five years. At the

end of that time, a five cent tax was levied for five years. A bond issue of \$75,000 was voted on May 11, 1891. The bonds were issued serially in the amounts of \$5,000 to be paid within fifteen years at the rate of six per cent interest. The court house was completed and accepted on April 20, 1892.

M. M. Johnson, still engaged in the jewelry business in Cameron, was named by the commissioners' court to regulate and wind up the old clock at a salary of fifty dollars per year. An interesting ceremony in connection with the construction of the building was the corner stone laying on July 4, 1891, with A. J. Rose, Grand Master of the Masonic Lodge of Texas delivering the address.

The stone used in the construction of this building was shipped from Bell county. It is white limestone and remains substantially the same as when used forty-six years ago. At the time of the construction of the court house E. Y. Terrell was county judge and the commissioners were as follows:

A. S. Ruby, who owned and operated a hotel in Cameron at that time; A. D. Phipps of Maysfield, whose widow now lives in Cameron; J. M. Little, Presbyterian minister who lived near Milano and Captain H. F. Shively of Rockdale. The county clerk was W. M. Gill. The late John H. Bickett was sheriff and an uncle of Mrs. Lois Bigbee, now employed in the office of county superintendent, Guy T. Newton. A Confederate veteran, Maj. Elwood M. Bean who lost his arm in the Battle of Gettysburg, was county treasurer. John P. Looney, father of Graham Looney of Friendship community, was county surveyor

and the late John B. Wolf, father of Penn Wolf, district clerk, was tax collector. T. C. Stafford, father of W. H. Stafford, city tax assessor, was district clerk, and D. W. Gillis, father of W. G. Gillis, district judge, was tax assessor for Milam county. J. M. Ralston, oldest living member of the Milam county bar and at one time mayor of Cameron and a former district attorney of this county, was then County Attorney. J. F. Thompson first superintendent of public instruction for Milam county was then in office.

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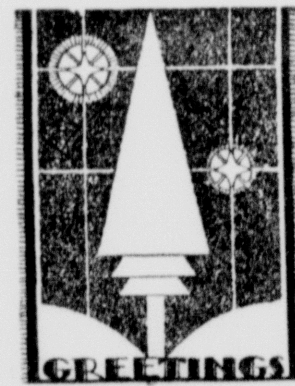
This is to give notice that the ordinance prohibiting shooting of fire works in the Fire Limits will be rigidly enforced.

I ask your co-operation in carrying out the instructions of the City Council and to protect the city against fire hazards.

Shooting of fireworks, especially in the business district, is both a hazard and an annoyance to shoppers and you are respectfully requested to refrain from this practice.



Respectfully,
GENE SMITH,
City Marshal.



A
HAPPY
CHRISTMAS

..and a genuine
"Thank You"
for all past
favors.

We trust these greetings find you happy and the season affording you opportunity to enjoy fully the spirit of the holidays.

It is the time of the year when men's hearts abound with the spirit of brotherhood and the flame of Man's humanity to man burns brightly in all of us.

We trust this good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year finds you at Peace and may good cheer surround you and yours and there with you will be our best thoughts.

The greatest gift is Good Will. To have enjoyed a generous share of your good will in 1938 affords us a pleasing reflection on the months that have come and gone. Again we say, Good Cheer, Good Luck and Happiness and Prosperity.

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U. S. Government Runs Big- gest Printing Plant In the World.

WASHINGTON. — The world's largest printing plant is operated in Washington by the United States government on a 24-hour schedule to print the vast amount of material for publication required by the centralization of government in Washington.

More than 70 daily, weekly, and monthly publications with a total circulation running into the millions are regularly printed in this huge government plant and distributed over the nation.

It has been estimated that a book the size of the Bible could be printed in the government printing office in 24 hours.

This printing and publishing division put out a total of 5,000,000,000 copies of various "job" publications during the last year.

Boss Is Printer.

This number is vastly in excess of quantities printed before the administration of President Roosevelt. This number does not include issues of regular monthly and weekly publications such as weather bulletins and copies of the Congressional Record.

At the head of this tremendous printing organization is a practical printer, Augustus E. Giegengack, whose title is public printer.

Giegengack gets every bit of printing desired by any department, bureau, or division of the government. The government divisions are required by law to hand over all of their printing to Giegengack and his printing office.

There is only one exception to this—the Supreme court—which for many generations has had its printing work done at a small private printing shop in the downtown section of Washington. There the decisions of the court are secretly and carefully set up in type and printed in such a way that no single typesetter or printer ever knows the contents of the decisions.

Employees of the government printing office likewise are bound to silence and secrecy, but details of confidential publications occasionally leak out through "sources" in the government printing office.

It Covers 22 Acres of Floor.

This printing establishment employs 5,500 printers, typesetters, photo-engravers, mechanics, clerks, and other workers. Its annual pay roll amounts to \$12,000,000. It occupies 960,030 square feet of space, which is the equivalent of 22 acres.

The government printing office was established in 1861 and it has expanded rapidly ever since. It is by far the largest printing establishment in the world, with 406 typesetting and casting machines setting approximately 2,500,000,000 ems (units) of type annually. There are approximately 200 complete printing press units.

Among other things this printing office prints postal cards for the postoffice, 2,000,000,000 in a single year.

The printing office is geared to do high speed work as well as regulation printing. During sessions of congress the daily record of what happens is printed over night and is mailed and distributed in time for use the next morning.

The printing office charges each government division the cost price for printing. The plant makes extra charges for rush work.

Cascades Park Is Added

To Nation's Playgrounds

SEATTLE, WASH.—To the nation's sylvan playgrounds will be added 4,272 acres of primitive timberland in the snowclad Cascades, near Snoqualmie pass, as a result of acquisition of the area by the United States government.

Creation of the park, with its giant trees and singing icy mountain streams, will be a monument to the ceaseless work of J. C. Kuhns, assistant regional forester, United States forest service.

Kuhns was captivated by the enchanting region while supervisor of the Snoqualmie National forest and when destruction of virgin Douglas firs and cedars, hemlock, spruce and yew was threatened four years ago he headed a movement to save the timber.

Aided by Asahel Curtis, noted for his work in saving the state's trees and scenic beauty spots, and by numerous civic and conservation groups, Kuhns quietly negotiated for deeds to the land from private owners, the government giving property of equal value elsewhere in exchange.

Tale of Four Bottles

Crew Cast Into Ocean

BOSTON.—Four sealed bottles cast overboard by the crew of the schooner Effie M. Morrissey in 1936 were picked up on the shores of Norway nearly two years later.

A bottle recovered at Hjelmsoy traveled 4,100 miles, one found at Flatanger, 3,500 miles, one at Vest Vaago, Lofoten islands, 3,700 miles and the fourth at Soro island, 4,000 miles.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM

O. J. THOMAS SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 13 years old and in the third grade. Please Santa, bring me a machine. I want to sew, for the poor little girls and boys. I would like to have a book too.

Emma Jane Evans.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll. I am a girl 9 years old. I am in the second grade. Don't forget the other girls and boys. I want a bicycle.

Millie M. Holly.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the third grade. I am 8 years old. I am a good girl. Please bring me a set of dishes and a doll. I like my teacher. Her name is Mrs. Montgomery. My mother's name is Lamie Washington. Think of others too.

Willie Lee Washington.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bicycle and some shoes. I am eight years old and bring me some candy. I want a paint book. I am not writing a long letter. My teacher is named Mrs. Montgomery. Bring me a story book and an electric stove. So I guess I will close.

Lula Eunice Woods.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the 2nd grade and ten years old. Will you please bring me a big doll, a coat and a paint book. I am in the third grade. Please bring me some shoes. I am 9 years old. Don't forget the poor children, please. Bring me some oranges, apples, nuts and a dress and candy.

Juli Ann Robinson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good girl. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a doll and a story book. Please bring a bed and a bicycle. Please bring me a set of dishes. I help my mother at home. I am 8 years old. I can read well.

Lovie Lee Stephens.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy in the second grade and ten years old. Will you please bring me a bicycle and a wagon. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Louis Amos.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I am 9 years old. I am in the third grade. I want a piano, a bicycle and some fruit. Come to some poor children's house. I obey my mother, father and teacher. I love my other friends too. Please bring a story book and a tablet. My teacher's name is Mrs. Montgomery.

Yours truly,
Effie Mae Joshua.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me three books. Please bring me two dresses. Please bring me some dishes. Please bring me a bicycle. I am 8 years old. Please bring me some shoes.

Selma Grace Roberts.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll with golden curly hair and a bicycle.

Ruth Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll with long golden curly hair for Christmas, a bicycle, a piano, a cabinet and a dress. I am in the second grade. I am 8 years old.

Roxie Homer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little girl and I am seven years old and in the 3rd grade. Please bring me a doll and a bicycle and a paint book. I want a ball and some fruit, candy and nuts.

Fontainette Parker.

Gifts

We are re-arranging our store this week and introducing a fine line of gift goods for your selection at Christmas time. You will find in this store a gift for every member of the family and you will find the gift goods this year up to the Dusek standard and we have plenty of them.

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Cameron, Texas



Dear Santa Claus:

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am ten years old. I am in the second grade. Bring me a football and a gun. I am a good boy. My name is,

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World's Largest Ice Field Found

Stretches Over 235 Miles In Alaska and Yukon, Expedition Says.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Discovery of what is believed to be the world's largest ice field and glacial group outside the polar regions has been announced in dispatches from Bradford Washburn, leader of the Harvard university-National Geographic society expedition to Alaska.

"Heads of the Martin river and Miles glaciers are also connected to the long icecap reaching from Cape St. Elias, in Alaska, to the Alsek river valley, in Yukon, discovered on our flight of August 20," Mr. Washburn wired to the society's headquarters.

"On a spectacular flight which circled Mount Logan and Mount St. Elias, second and third highest peaks on the North American continent, the expedition made aerial photographs of an unexplored area of southeastern Alaska, to be used later in mapping," the report to the society continues.

"This flight over icebound fastnesses, previously unvisited by man, reveals that the Bering glacier and the Malaspina glacier, whose known extent had already won for them the titles of the world's largest non-polar rivers of ice, are merely two overflows from a vast highland ice field shrouding a stretch of Alaska about 235 miles long, equal to the distance from New York city to Washington, D. C.

Long Lain Unseen.

"Explorations of the Harvard university-National Geographic society expedition have outlined a coast range of mountains, stretching from the Copper river valley above Cordova, Alaska, to the Alsek river valley in Canada's Yukon, which walls in a mighty reservoir of ice. Completely hidden behind the mountain wall, the mammoth octopus of ice has lain unseen and unapproachable, its size to be guessed only from the tentacles of glaciers it has clamped around the coastal range. Largest of the numerous streams of ice overflowing from this giant ice bowl, cupped high among peaks two and three miles above sea level, are the Bering and Malaspina glaciers—30 and 50 miles wide, after they have broken through the mountain wall and ground their way down almost to the sea.

"In a single flight of discovery over Alaska's newly revealed ice giant, the expedition saw more ice than is known in all the famous glaciers of Europe put together."

Summing up Washburn's reports and commenting on their significance, a bulletin from the National Geographic society says: "Photographing 1,500 square miles of territory, the expedition found (1) new ridges in the coast mountain range, (2) new glaciers between the range and the Chitina river 50 miles farther inland to the north, and (3) a glacier system uniting the Bering and Malaspina giants with the Seward glacier in the southeast and with the Miles glacier in the northwest.

Difficulties Encountered.

"Most of the newly discovered ice bowl lies athwart and to the west of the Alaska-Canada boundary line, just where it turns due north to the Arctic ocean. In surveying this frontier, famous as one of the longest straight-line borders ever marked, some of the difficulties in running the line along the 141st meridian were due to the eastward overflow of glaciers from the then unknown ice field. The massive glacier bowl pours its slow and irresistible flood across the border southeastward, between Mount Logan and Mount St. Elias, into the Seward glacier, which in turn adds its congealed volume to the great Malaspina.

"The great glacier system explains why there is no land communication between the southern 'panhandle' of Alaska, containing the capital, and the major portion of the territory to the north. The land link is 'broken' by a glacier barrier of more than 200 miles of perpetual ice.

"The Malaspina glacier is so extensive that it was not recognized as a glacier until 1880; rocks and soil cover the ice around the edges, and forests take root in the ice-borne earth. It is a composite ice stream formed by about a dozen coalescing glaciers, the largest of which is the Seward.

"When the new glacier system is mapped, there is little doubt that Alaska will be confirmed as the world's largest stronghold of the ice age outside the polar regions."

Ohio Map on Calf

RAVENNA, OHIO.—A Jersey cow born near here had on its forehead a white patch closely resembling a map of the state of Ohio.

Squirrel Vanquishes

Hoot Owl in Battle

NEW BRITAIN, CONN.—Few gray squirrels survive a battle with their natural enemy, the hoot owl.

Veterinarian John P. McIntosh, however, reported a furious fight during which the squirrel, although badly damaged, managed to slay the owl. McIntosh doctored the squirrel back to health.

Directors Elected For Interscholastic League Activities

The executive committee of the Milam County Interscholastic League met in office of Guy T. Newton, county superintendent and elected directors of the Interscholastic League which is to be held in Cameron on March 17th, 18th, 24th and 25th, 1939.

The following directors of the League were elected:

G. D. Reat, Yarrellton, Director General; C. R. Middleton, Sharp, Director of Declamation; M. J. Vaughn, Thorndale, Director of Debate; Fred Graves, Rockdale, Director of Extemporaneous Speech; Mrs. S. C. Miles, Rockdale, Director of Spelling; C. N. Heath, Milano, Director of Ready Writers; Guy T. Newton, county superintendent, Director of Rural Schools; C. M. Hicks, Cameron, Director of Athletics; Miss Ida Byrd Mayfield Minerva, Director of Music Memory; Mrs. Hugo Horstmann, Buckholts, Director of Picture Memory; Owen W. Feist, Detmold, Director Three-R.

Director General, G. D. Reat, ap-

pointed the following directors: Robert Burton, Ben Arnold, Director of Arithmetic; Miss Gladys Matson, Rockdale, Director of Typewriting and Shorthand; Noel Wood, San Gabriel, Director of Choral Singing; Miss Margaret Bloebaum, Cameron, Director of One-Act Play; Miss Dalie Young, Cameron, Director of Girl's Athletics.

The Milam County League voted not to sponsor girls' basketball, junior boys' basketball and boys' volley ball, however, invitation meets for these three events will be held during the year and invitations will be issued later. Senior Boys' basketball will be played in three classes, namely: Rural, Class B and Class A. Tournaments to be held on February 3rd and 4th will determine the championship of Rural and Class B. Class B tournament will be held in Rockdale and Rural tournament in Cameron. Drawings for these tournaments will be held January 30th at 4:45 p. m. in the office of the county superintendent. February 10 is the date set for county championship game, the first game of the play-off to be played on February 7th, and both games will be played in Cameron.

A committee was appointed to

make out a tentative program for the meet and said program will be presented to the Executive Committee for approval at a later date.

March 13th was set as the date for all entrance blanks to be filed with the Director General and on that night a meeting of the Executive Committee and all interested teachers will be held in the office of the County Superintendent to draw places for the athletic contests to begin on March 18th. The teams thus matched may play their game before the regular date if mutually agreed upon.

The only League event to be held on March 17th is the Choral Singing. This contest will be conducted at the Yoe High School Auditorium at 7:30 p. m.

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Church Women Direct Nursery School Here

Cameron Council of Church Women held their annual meeting for 1938 last Tuesday at the Christian Church. The address of the afternoon was given by Mrs. Bernice Peed, supervisor of the nursery school. In her talk, Mrs. Peed outlined a daily schedule for children including breakfast, lunch, directed play and a nap time.

Those attending this meeting brought gifts of clothing and shoes to be given to the little folks of the school. Annual election of officers was held and the board of directors for 1939 are as follows: President, Mrs. J. P. Love; Vice Presidents Mrs. Vernon G. Miles, Mrs. J. L. Calloway, Mrs. W. O. Triggs and Mrs. Jeff Kemp; Secretary, Mrs. F. E. Woodruff; Treasurer, Mrs. George Manum and presidents of Woman's Auxiliaries of Baptist, Christian, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

Santa Won't Miss 'Farthest North'

U. S. Community

PENASSE, MINN. — Youngsters living in this isolated community are quite confident Santa Claus won't pass them by this Christmas. Penasse, you see, is St. Nicholas' first stop in the United States, and the farthest north point in the nation. If he gets past the customs officials, St. Nick has to visit Penasse.

The bewhiskered gentleman abandons his reindeer before he reaches Penasse each year, because the deep snow usually hampers even those sturdy steeds. He travels by ski-equipped airplane, flown to the isolated village twice each week from Warroad.

Penasse's only other visitor in the winter is Indiana Pete, a trapper living on a nearby island in the Lake of the Woods. The postmistress is Miss Helen Arnold, twenty-two, who admits business isn't very rushing—even at Christmas time.

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The Spirit of The Month

December with its thoughts of Christmas stirs the family and the world for that matter.

How much better off would you have been if you had taken our suggestion a year ago with more serious application? We dare say this too would be a very Happy Christmas for you.

Its a good time to think seriously, although the happiness of the occasion makes us forget responsibilities and care.

Try to remember that in the months to come... before another Christmas, its a lot better to bank some money. You owe it to your family.

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An Open Letter to Santa Claus:

Dear Santa Claus:

We have a special favor to ask of you! The people of this community have been very liberal with their patronage during the past years in its history. We'd like to see each of these people personally and tell them our appreciation, but somehow, there are so many of them and our time is so limited, we just won't be able to do it.

Santa, what we want you to do is this: Please try to manage somehow to see that all these friends have their every wish fulfilled and that they enjoy the happiest Christmas of them all. If you can do that for us, you make ours the finest Yuletide that we could ask for and you will be taking care of the most loyal group of people in the world.

If you see any of our friends that we have missed, just tell them for us we really do appreciate their fine friendships and that we are wishing for them a Merry, Merry Christmas.

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Rudolph Marak, Assistant Cashier.
William A. Sell, Bookkeeper.

BOWL BUSINESS . . .

Football's biggest event comes on New Year's Day in this modern world. Bowls of all flavors attract several hundred thousand spectators. Here are last year's bowl games, where huge crowds gather again this New Year's Day.



Oldest of the New Year games, Pasadena's Rose Bowl dates back to 1916. Last year it attracted 90,000 spectators who watched California defeat Alabama by a score of 13-0. Above is an aerial view of the 1938 crowd. The spectacular tournament of roses always precedes the game, featuring a parade of colorful floats down Pasadena's tropical boulevards.

Christmas and Christmas Gifts

By MANUEL B. HARTLEY
Pastor Church of Christ, Cameron, Texas

My honest conviction is that instead of airing our opinions, it would perhaps be better if in many cases we merely ventilated the room. For almost two thousand years the poor, the rich, the weak, the strong, the good, the bad, the wise and the unwise, have been freely airing their opinions about Christmas.

In order that we not lose ourselves in the great sea of human speculation, it is best to take into consideration only a few simple facts regarding Christmas. Considering only facts will naturally eliminate much that has been said and written in the past.

It is a fact that this holiday is observed generally as the birthday of Christ. For generations, people have taught their children that December 25th is the birthday of Christ, new born King that the Wise Men went to visit in the little city of Bethlehem.

It is also a fact that this occasion is generally observed not only by those that would pattern their lives after him, but also by those that know little and apparently care less about the Saviour. It is also a fact that Christ would not be pleased with the way the day that has been designated by man as His birthday is observed. It is sometimes true that it is those that do not contend to be the followers of Christ that place the greatest stress on this day. Hence, we find many of them in a drunken stupor. Many people who never drink intoxicating drink at any other time, step aside for "one grand time" on Christmas. It is also true that many church leaders act as if they

believed that Christmas gives them a license to step aside. It is perfectly plain that Christ if here on earth in person would not be pleased with that kind of observance on any day, much less on the day that is supposed to be his birthday. It is also quite plain that the Lord in heaven is not pleased.

The observance of Christmas has both its good and its bad points. This fact we cannot well deny. One



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great aim in life should be to make others happy. By doing this, we keep ourselves happy. I am inclined to believe that Christmas is the happiest season of the year. At least it is for some people. As happiness is found in giving and not getting, the age old practice of giving gifts at this season of the year helps to promote happiness, joy and peace on earth.

A good thing for us to remember about this season of the year is that the fellow that needs our help most passes our front door every day.

Now we have been talking about facts about Christmas. Let us also consider this fact. We do not know that December 25th is the birthday of Christ. This indeed will be alarming to some people. But we need only to think seriously about the matter to be convinced that this statement is true. We have been taught this perhaps from childhood, but when it comes to actually establishing the date of the birthday of Christ, it would indeed prove difficult. I would not say that it is or is not, but just that we do not know. The New Testament account of the birth of Christ does not fix or set the birthday of our Lord on any certain day. The Bible tells us nothing about Christmas as we think of it today. We should have no desire to discredit the birth of Christ or even his birthday. However at the same time be it clearly understood that the actual scriptural authority for the observance of Christmas at all is not found. I see nothing wrong in observing that day, with temperance. When we make it a religious holiday we are doing so without authority from Heaven. Some people hardly attend church except on Christmas. Until yet I have found no authority from the New Testament to keep his birthday. There is the possibility that if he had intended for us to keep it as a religious occasion, he would have told us so, not only that but when and how. There is one day that he wanted us to keep and he not only told us to keep it but when and how. This day of course, is the first day of the week.

The spirit that most people have on Christmas is usually good and that alone is pleasing to God. Paul said, "Let us do good unto all men." It is good that that teaching is carried out on Christmas especially. A little



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deed of kindness at this season of the year can reward us both here and hereafter. I had rather be a giver of many little things than of one great gift, because it would make more people happy. In giving I think of this:

A man found a little stream that had lost its way on the mountain side. He paused long enough to wait it up with stones picked up here and there. He returned a few years later to find it had cooled a thousand parched tongues.

Whatever we give on Christmas or on any other day, let us do it in the spirit of Christ. The observance of this day is a great factor in creating brotherly love. It seems that our prayers should be that this good will and fellowship continue throughout the year.

If I cannot give you a material gift, I can speak a kind word to you, which would serve its purpose as a gift. To speak kind words means that we will hear kind echoes, so we both are benefited by this gift. I like to think of every day as being Christmas. I like to think of "today" being the best day, because after all our lives are made up of "today's."

READ THIS

A young couple wanted to occupy a lovely apartment. See W. I. Clark.



Feast of Joy, Liberty Light and Happiness

By T. F. O'SULLIVAN
Pastor Saint Michael's Church, Burlington, Texas

Surely Christmas is the feast of joy because the cradle of Bethlehem is the cradle of our brotherhood with Almighty God.

It is the feast of liberty because the Omnipotent God wrapped in swaddling clothes has saved us by His death, not only from the prison of hell, but also by His teachings from the earthly slavery of tyranny.

It is the feast of light, for the Star of Bethlehem is the lamp of faith which dispels the error of paganism and outlines the celestial truth of Eternity.

Finally, Christmas is the feast of love when our God and our Creator bestowed upon you and me and every human being His best gift, His per-

fect gift, His only begotten Son, to be our brother in suffering, in sorrow and in heavenly reward.

Our slogan then at Christmas should be, "Make our Christmas, Christian."

Rev. T. F. O'Sullivan,
Pastor, St. Michael's Church,
Burlington, Texas.

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To All The People

I will be happy at Christmas Time this year to remember the many who have shown me favors in the past. I count it a privilege to send to each one my Sincere Good Wishes for a Happy Christmas and a rich harvest of good things in 1939.

Just as Good Will is the greatest gift, so are Friends the greatest Asset. Years ago I chose this method to send to the readers of this newspaper my sincere appreciation for their confidence and I desire again to say to all the people that it has given me much pleasure to serve them.

If at Christmas time you are Happy and Peace is yours, I will be happy. In the New Year I want you to have every good thing and a generous measure of prosperity.

BILL ALEX BONDS

TAX ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR FOR MILAM COUNTY



It is more than mere Custom that impels this word of Greeting to Farmer Friends and Patrons who patronized our plants in 1938 and gave us their Good Will and Friendship.

When we look back over the year and recall the obstacles and the triumphs, the disappointments and the joys, we find

the Friends played the major part in bringing to us success and happiness. It is to those Friends we address this word of Greeting, yet remembering all every where in our sincere wish that they may be Happy at Christmas Time and in the New Year may health, success and every good thing be yours in great measure.

A Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year

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To the People Sincere Greetings

For the confidence you have expressed in me and because I feel deeply my obligation, I send these greetings of the Season and hope for each one a full measure of Health and Prosperity in 1939.

It has been a rare privilege to serve the people of Milam county in the office of Sheriff. I am deeply mindful of my debt to the people and I trust that each one may share fully in the common heritage of Happiness that is ours on this Happy Day.

R.M.KENNEDY

Sheriff of Milam County

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM BELMENA SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a siren for my bicycle, some house shoes, and a bathrobe. I am in the second grade and I am seven years old.

Your friend,
Bennie Ferrel McDonald.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the second grade. I want a picture of you, a cap pistol, and a dump truck.

Your friend,
Gordon Hickman.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a story book and a little stove, and I want a set of glass dishes, some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Marie Busker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a blue purse. I want a chain and cross. I want a story book. I want a little play wagon, a puzzle, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Leona Busker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to Belmena School. I like my teacher very much. Her name is Mrs. Turner. I am a little boy seven years old. I am in the primer. I want a little truck full of nuts, some fruits and some candy.

Your friend,
Cornelius Talafuse.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some apples, candy and toys. I am nine years old. I am in the third grade. My sister is eight and in the second. Her name is Bonnie Lee. Do not forget her.

Your friend,
Verdi Collier.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eight years old. Oh, it's a long time till you are coming. So when you come please bring me a big wagon, B. B. shots, knife with chain, a ball and bat, fruits, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Thomas J. Merka.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. I want a pair of skates, a football, candy, nuts, fire crackers and Roman candles for Christmas.

Santa, I do not want to ask for much for there are other little boys and girls too. Please don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Turner.

Your friend,
Elvin Shuffield.

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to school at Belmena. I am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Turner. I like her very much. For Christmas I would like to have a cap, scarf, gloves, paint set, new clothes for my rubber doll and candy, nuts and fruit.

Santa, don't forget the children of Belmena school.

Your friend,
Amy Schlemmer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to school at Belmena. I'm in the second grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Turner. I like her very much. For Christmas I would like to have a new rubber doll, a paint set, some fruit, candy and nuts. Don't forget the orphan children.

Your friend,
Bobbie Rea Schlemmer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be a good little boy. Please bring me a wagon, flashlight, and some fire works. I want some fruit, nuts and candy too. Don't forget my little sister. She wants a little rocker and a doll.

Your little friend,
Elmer Ray Mullinax.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball and some jacks and a ball, a doll and some doll clothes. I want some apples and oranges, bananas and nuts. I want a piano, dresser, comb, bed, rocking chair, table, dishes, trunk, lamp, chair and blackboard.

Your friend,
LaVerne Phipps.

Dear Santa Claus:

Santa Claus, please send me a picture of you, a rubber doll, rubber doll house, table and chairs, nuts, candy, oranges and apples. My teacher's name is Mrs. Turner.

My sister's name is Lillie Bell. She wants a rubber doll, doll house, table, chairs, a rubber ball, candy, oranges, apples and nuts.

Your friend,
Betty Lou Kennon.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I'm in the second grade. I am seven years old. I have been a good boy this year, and so please bring me an air rifle, pencil box and some fruits. Don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Mildred B. Turner. Don't forget the poor children.

Your friend,
Marvin Glaser.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl five years old. I don't go to school. I want a Dy-Dee baby, a doll bed, a doctor kit, and a stick horse with the bridle. I want some fruit, candy and nuts. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Barbara Ann Jenness.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I am in the fourth grade. I go to school at Belmena. I have been a good girl and so please bring me a pair of mittens, a pencil box, some nuts and some candy.

Please don't forget by teacher, Mrs. Mildred B. Turner.

Your friend,
Mildred Glaser.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl six years old and am a good one too. Please bring me a doll, water set, handkerchiefs, fruits, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Minnie Lee Merka.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl ten years old and I am in the fourth grade. I go to Belmena school. I want a bicycle and some balloons. If you have a picture of yourself, please give me one. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
Margie Krenke.



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Dear Santa Claus:

Dear Santa Claus, I am going to school. I am seven years old and in the second grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Mildred Turner. I want you to bring me all kinds of nuts and fruits. I want a doll, a ball, and all other toys. Dear Santa, do not forget all three of my sisters, mother and father.

Your friend,
Rosalea Hanel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the third grade. I want a scarf set, a pair of gloves, a toy typewriter and a little washing machine. I want a small electric iron. Don't forget my school mates and mother. I want some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
Myra Jean Vaughan.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the second grade. I go to school at Belmena. I have been a good girl this year, and so please bring me a rubber doll, doll buggy and some fruit.

Your friend,
Bonnie Lee Collier.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I go to school at Belmena. Will you please bring me a big rubber doll, a set of little dishes, a little broom, fruit and candy. Will you please bring me a picture of yourself.

Your little friend,
Nyrona Harper.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want an air gun, a wagon and a ball bat. I want some apples. I want some oranges. I want some nuts. I want some negro toes.

Your friend,
Clarence Phipps.



WATCH and CLOCKSHOP

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Some prices in New Watches and Cocks Received this week.
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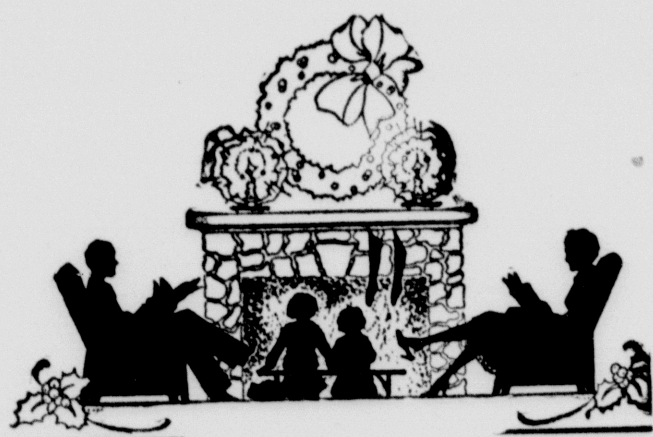
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The Season's Greetings to each of you!



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Miniature Cities Set Up in
Ohio Playgrounds.

MANSFIELD, OHIO.—Nearly 500 pre-school age children were taught traffic rules during the summer by driving toy automobiles in the streets of miniature cities laid out on playgrounds.

Traffic Patrolman Fred C. Beals of the Mansfield police department and a playground instructor, Betty Braden, supervised the unusual traffic education program.

"The children now have a thorough understanding as to the meaning of the 'stop,' 'caution' and 'go' signals of traffic lights because miniature streets' traffic was regulated by small lights," Beals said.

"Although the children could not read—they were from 4 to 6 years old—they know now the meaning of traffic signals and of white lined pedestrian lines."

He said that he and Mrs. Ruth Robins, a kindergarten expert, devised the system to train the child at an early age in the principles of road safety so that these principles would eventually become automatic with him.

"The program works along the same lines as the beginner in school learns to write," Beals said.

"After he is taught the fundamentals of writing, he practices it until it becomes a thing that is guided by his subconscious mind."

Miniature cities were set up on six Mansfield playgrounds and one on a Shelby (Ohio) playground to carry out the traffic education program. One group of children were the pedestrians and another group drove the toy automobiles.

Beals said that the children who received this traffic training and who entered school this fall know how to cross streets safely on their way to and from school.

Marital Quarrels Over

Tobacco in Past Shown

WASHINGTON.—Women's use of tobacco may cause marital strife in the Twentieth century, but it was the men's smoking that caused trouble in the Sixteenth century, books on display here reveal.

The collection of 3,500 volumes—some dating back to the Sixteenth century—was owned by George Arnets of New York, whose family has been interested in tobacco commerce and culture for three generations.

Arnets spent years collecting fine copies of all books referring to the weed that the Indians taught white men to use.

While men praised tobacco as the "holy herb" and "jovial weed," the women, the collection showed, frowned on the "fume suckers" that threatened marital happiness.

In "Tobacco Tortured," a wife pleaded with her husband to stop smoking.

"Oh, husband, my husband," she wailed, "mine only husband. Consider, I beseech thee, thy dearest, thy loving and thy kind-hearted wife . . . Why dost thou so vainly preferre a vanishing filthie fume before my permanent virtues . . . Hav not I here brought forth an armie of children unto thee?"

Woman Leads as Trapper

Of Predatory Animals

EAGLE PASS, TEXAS.—The record of trapping more mountain lions than any other person employed in the eradication of predatory wild animals by the Texas Predatory Animal Control association during the last fiscal year is held by Mrs. Bessie Kennedy of Eagle Pass. She has for her territory Maverick county, bordering the Rio Grande.

During the last 12 months Mrs. Kennedy has captured eight mountain lions, 154 coyotes, 40 bobcats, and many smaller predatory animals, according to C. R. Landon, district director of the association. She sets and looks after the traps herself.

Her husband also is one of the most successful trappers employed by the association. His work, however, is less difficult than that of his wife, because he is assigned to patrol a woven wire enclosure containing about 6,000 sheep. He captured during the year five mountain lions, 94 coyotes, and 28 bobcats.

California's First Jail

Was Vessel, Records Show

SACRAMENTO.—Only historians remember that California's first prison consisted of a ship anchored off Point San Quentin, in San Francisco bay, back in 1852.

Old records in the state house brought this strange fact to light in connection with the early history of San Quentin prison, the penitentiary for first offenders on the north end of the bay.

For five years after the American occupation, California had no fixed penal laws or penal institutions. Local jails were scarce and the large ranches maintained their own adobe guardhouses for their lawbreakers. Cross-road justice from the nearest tree in the early gold days seemed effective and sufficient.

After several years of leasing out prisoners to farmers, the legislature selected a site for a prison in 1852 and a prison ship was anchored until the buildings would be erected. The ship held 30 to 50 men.

COURT HOUSE MADE BETTER SAYS KEMP

To the Citizens of Milam County:

At the request of the Commissioners' Court, I desire to make known prepared plans for repairs being made on the Court House, at the present time made possible by a Government PWA grant.

The roof is being modernized and the tower and clock will be removed as a necessary safety measure. The Court was advised, by competent authority, the tower was not secure and might collapse in the course of time. We were assured that the firm foundations and the excellent structure of the Court House will permit the erection of the fourth story if it should ever be needed. The approved plans call for a modern flat cement roof and the removal of the tower and clock.

The present roof has leaked badly for several years and damage was being done to the interior of the building. More than one Grand Jury has admonished the Court that repairs to the roof were needed. The Court has expended much money in repairs but to no avail.

Since a new roof was necessary other improvements to the building were included in present plans prepared by a competent architect and submitted to the U. S. Government for approval.

The removal of the fire hazard is quite important as the Milam County Court House was entirely destroyed by fire on April 9, 1874. The new roof will render the Court House practically fire proof which it is not at present owing to the many exposed timbers in the tower. The change will reduce fire insurance rates.

To finance repairs, the Court has secured Government aid through a PWA grant which provides payment of forty-five cents on each dollar expended on the project while the Court provides the remainder of the funds. After advertising, sealed bids were received and the contract was let for \$23,932. A cash grant of \$11,659 was made by the Government. This was not a loan but a gift. The

tax rate will not be raised to provide the sum to be paid by Milam County.

J. E. Johnson is the Supervising Architect. Engineer Inspector, F. R. Cromwell, represents the U. S. Government on the work. Roy Weems represents Milam County as Supervisor of the project.

All members of the Commissioners Court share the sentiment of citizens for the old clock, which was placed on the Court House when it was built in 1891. Plans are being made for its re-installation on the new roof. The faces of the clock will be visible from the four cardinal points. The clock works will be motivated by electrical power.

Work is proceeding satisfactorily on the project which is to be completed within 150 days.

Yours truly,
Jeff T. Kemp,
County Judge.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant

said petition alleging: The statutory grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this the 7th day of December A. D. 1938.

(Seal) PENN WOLF,
Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas. 34-4t

Money Hidden in Violins; Sentence Two Musicians

Riga, Latvia.—Caught while smuggling currency concealed in their violins into Russia, David Oistrakh, thirty years old, was sentenced to death and Bussy Goldstein, fifteen years old, was sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. They are noted Jewish musicians who appeared in a Brussels musical competition last year and won prizes, after which they toured Europe.

T P & L Distributes Booklet Telling Story of Power

The part played by electricity in developing the industry, agriculture and natural resources of Texas is vividly depicted in an artistic rotogravure publication now being distributed by the Texas Power and Light Company.

Photographic studies of great machines and industrial plants, electrically operated in the big cities of the State, are interspersed with pictures showing the economic use of power in country homes, on the farms and ranches and in agricultural progress generally.

The magazine, in word and by picture, tells the story of the modern growth of Texas through dependable and steadily cheapening power service. It is virtually a text book dealing with the electrical development of the state. Unusual photography enlivens the space given to statistics concerning the development of nat-

ural resources and the promotion of business and industry in Texas through power alone.

Texas Power and Light Company are distributing copies of this book to their customers. Dealing as it does with modern Texas and the industrial problems confronting the state, it is greatly in demand. Requests for copies are being filled through the company's local office.

NYA Project Started At Jones Prairie

Seventeen boys have been assigned to work on NYA project sponsored by Jones Prairie School, according to Harvie Yoe, Area Supervisor.

On this project the work planned is leveling and beautifying the several school grounds of the district, constructing side walks and out buildings, erecting fences and otherwise improving facilities of the schools.

Additional assignments will be made soon.

To My Friends In Milam County

Gratitude, deep and abiding, follows the thought of friends, loyal and true. At this happy season I am glad to know that I have so many friends in Milam county and to each one I send these sincere greetings.

As a member of Congress from this district I pledge the people anew that I will always be mindful of their interests and trust the New Year brings me opportunity to serve you.

W. R. Poage

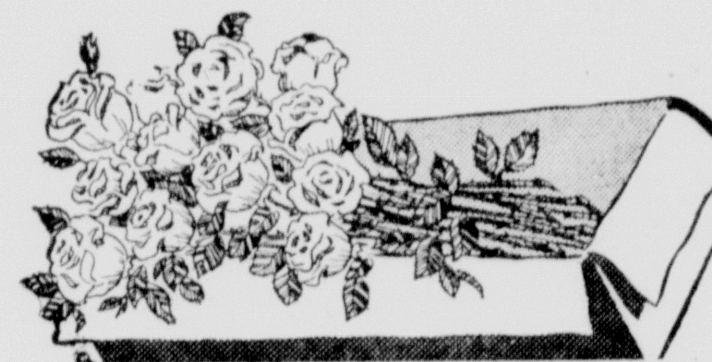
Congressman, 11th, District

Our Letter to Santa Claus!



Somehow we just know you won't overlook our friends, the people of this community. They've been mighty good, every one of them, and they deserve the best you've got. We enjoy every one of the 365 days in the year among them; that's why we are sure that you'll manage to squeeze in just one day. And you'll leave happier because you'll see that here, indeed, among these fine people, is the true spirit of Christmas.

**GOHMERT'S
Variety Store**

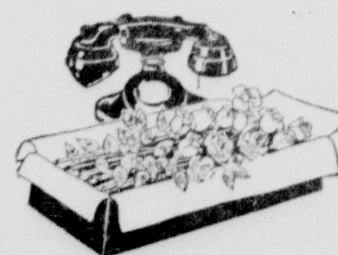


Sincere Greetings

We are not unmindful of the many favors shown us in 1938. To each one we send our Thanks and Best Wishes for a Happy Christmas.

The pleasure of serving you has been genuine. We want to serve you again in 1939.

"Flowers Always Say
It Best."



**GLASS
The Florist**

Liechtenstein a Small

Stamp Issuing Country

Liechtenstein is a small agricultural principality lying south of Lake Constance between Switzerland and the Austrian province of Germany. The original tongue of the region was Romansch, used by the Grisons of Switzerland, and perpetuated in many of the place names of Liechtenstein, notably the capital, Vaduz, and Samina, Gavadura, etc., observes a stamp authority in the Chicago Tribune.

This is one of the smallest independent stamp issuing countries in the world, being underrated only by San Marino and Monaco. In area it embraces somewhat less than 70 square miles and is about 12 miles in its greatest dimension. The state is composed of the county of Vaduz and the lordship of Schellenburg, both of which were in many hands before being purchased by the count of Hohenems in 1613.

The Liechtenstein family purchased Schellenburg in 1699 and Vaduz in 1713. In 1719 the two states were raised to the status of a principality in the Holy Roman empire. This ended in 1806 and Liechtenstein was independent until 1815, when it became a part of the German confederation. In 1866 it again regained its independent status.

From 1852 until the close of the World war, it was joined with Austria in customs, coinage, and postal matters and appeals from its highest court at Vaduz were taken to the prince's court in Vienna.

Sunken Treasures Along

The Shores of Trinidad

At the bottom of the Gulf of Pearls, now called the Gulf of Paria, lie the fortunes in gold and silver lost when Admiral Apocada set fire to his ships in 1797 so that they could not be captured by the British, with whom Spain was at war at the time.

Blackbeard the pirate burned many a ship in this gulf—all of them taking gold and silver to the bottom of the bay. These fortunes lie beneath the waves somewhere between Port of Spain and San Fernando, according to a writer in the Boston Herald.

It is believed by many that Admiral Apocada carried the treasure with him when he and his men escaped to the shore, and that it was buried there in the soft sand banks between Port of Spain and San Fernando.

The superstitious Trinidadians are afraid to seek this buried riches. They believe that the souls of the men who dug the holes still guard the spots. These men, as was the rule of the day, were killed as soon as the treasure was placed in the holes and were thrown in after it by the men who bade them dig it.

Bad luck, it is believed, will follow any one who seeks this buried gold and silver, thus disturbing the souls supposed to be guarding it. Fearing misfortune, Trinidadians hesitate before pushing a spade into the sand.

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Glad Tidings

By VERNON G. MILES

Pastor First Baptist Church, Cameron, Texas

Since the beginning of time mankind has longed for good news. He has listened for good news announcing the end of war, the termination of pain, or the cessation of distress.

But the greatest good news and the most longed for by mankind was that given by the angel on the Judean hills as the shepherds watched their flocks by night. That good news was, "Peace on Earth" and good will to-

ward men," and unto you is born this day . . . a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

Peace and good will among men will come when men and nations acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

When a great portion of the world is now torn by war and hatred, what news could be greater than that brought to all men that peace and joy are found in Jesus Christ, God's Son.

Clock Silent Since 1898

Each year in October a clock repairer inspects and oils the grandfather clock standing at the head of the marble stairway in the governor's mansion, relates a San Juan, P. R., correspondent. But the clock has been stopped for 40 years. Its heavy pendulum will never click off another second. The hands stand at 6:21, the hour and minute when Gen. Manuel Macias left "Le Fortaleza" for the last time, at the close of the Spanish-American war. The Spanish flag still floated over the ancient mansion, citadel and home of countless governors of Puerto Rico. At his request, Governor Macias was not to see the Spanish colors lowered and the American flag hoisted. It was not until he was aboard a warship in the harbor that his aide hauled down the Spanish flag for the last time.

Large Island in Mediterranean

The Island of Cyprus is located 40 miles from the coast of Syria and is the third largest island in the Mediterranean sea. Its history dates back to the early Phoenicians, who established colonies there. Later the Greeks established colonies and still later the island formed part of the Persian, Macedonian, Egyptian and Roman empires. Its government frequently changed hands until 1571, when the Turks took the island from the Venetians and retained possession until England acquired it in 1878. At the outbreak of the World war in 1914 Cyprus was annexed by England and in 1925 it became a colony by letters patent.

The Work of Poets

All good poets, epic as well as lyric, compose their beautiful poems not as works of art, but because they are inspired and possessed.—Plato.

France Has Many Castles

According to a census France has more castles than any other country in the world—a total of 761. Most of them are in the Touraine district.

Honesty and Politics

"Honesty," said Uncle Eben, "is de best policy, an' I's mo' den half expectin' to see de day when it's also considered de bes' politics."

Taxes Hidden in Rent

More than 1,600,000 new automobiles could be sold every year with the money paid for taxes hidden in rent in the United States.

Water Given Off by Oak Tree

The Garden Encyclopedia says that the average oak tree during its five active months gives off about 28,000 gallons of water.

Fire Brat, Silverfish

A fire brat is a kind of silverfish, or small scale-covered insect, which is a household pest.

British India's Highest Mountain

The highest mountain in British India is Nanda Devi, 25,645 feet high.

Man Not Natural Swimmer

Man is the only animal that does not swim instinctively.

Says Coal, Oil and Gas

Will Last for 100 Years

STATE COLLEGE, PA. — The United States need not worry about a shortage of coal, petroleum and natural gas for "at least another century," even at the present wasteful rate of consumption, according to Dr. Frank C. Whitmore, dean of the school of chemistry and physics at Pennsylvania state college.

The present supply of hydrocarbons "is sufficient for a time long enough for our chemists to devise new ways of supplying them when they are naturally exhausted," he said.

Nature required "millions of years" in the manufacture of coal, natural gas and petroleum, and man is using up the stored supplies at an increasingly rapid rate, Doctor Whitmore said.

"In many cases," he added, "he is wasting them as well as using them. Fortunately, less natural gas is being wasted now than formerly."

"Perhaps one of the biggest wastes of hydrocarbons is in imperfect combustion of automobile engines. They burn much gasoline only partly, giving the poisonous carbon monoxide instead of carbon dioxide, which is a product of complete combustion."

Confederation of Cantons

Switzerland is a confederation of 22 cantons which are joined under a federal constitution, with large power of local control retained by each canton.

Empire of Ottoman Turks

The empire of the Ottoman Turks reached its highest development in the reign of Soliman II from 1520-1566.

Lambeth Palace Long in Use

Lambeth palace has been the residence of the archbishops of Canterbury for six and one-half centuries.

Birds Do Not Chew Food

Birds do not usually chew their food, the larger parrots showing the nearest approach to mastication.

Surface of Adirondacks' Lakes

The surface of most of the lakes in the Adirondacks lie at an elevation of 1,500 feet above sea level.

Wales Ruled by Sovereign Princes

Wales was ruled by sovereign princes until the death of Llewellyn in 1282.

Victims of St. Vitus' Dance

St. Vitus' dance, or chorea, is twice as frequent in girls as in boys.

Oldest Order of Knighthood

The Order of the Golden Fleece, founded by the duke of Burgundy in 1429, is the oldest order of knighthood in Europe.

Boosts Cost of Shoes

A pair of shoes worth \$3.50 cents costs \$5, because the tax collector gets \$1.50 on the sale.

Only Poisonous Snake in Michigan
The ground rattlesnake is the only poisonous snake found in Michigan.

Had First Poorhouse

Massachusetts established the first poorhouse in 1660.



We can say "Merry Christmas" with genuine feeling this year when we think of friends and customers who made our progress possible in 1939.

We want to serve you again in 1939.

May you be Happy and Prosperous in the New Year.

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Greetings
of the
Season

I am proud of the friends I have and want to remember each one of them at Christmas time.

The co-operation of the people of Cameron has enabled me to discharge my duty fully as city marshal and I want to thank the people. I want each one to enjoy Christmas and may you be Happy and in the New Year may Peace and Prosperity along with Good Health and Good Luck be yours in large measure.

GENE SMITH

City Marshal, City of Cameron

Good Cheer and Happiness to All

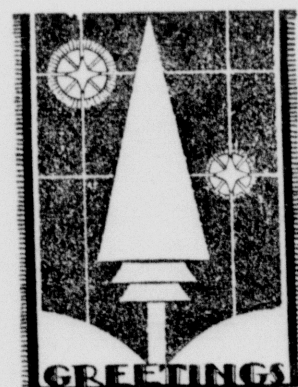
We count your Good Will and Friendship among our best assets for 1938 and we remember with especial appreciation the splendid patronage you gave us.

This Christmas wish we trust finds you happy. In the New Year may you inherit great Success and Prosperity.

A Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year

**Cameron
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Jack Owings, Jr., Proprietor



To express to each one of our Friends and Patrons our feelings of sincere appreciation for their favors and patronage, is the desire of our plant at this Happy Season.

We remember with especial kindness each one. We hope Christmas finds you happy and enjoying the blessings of Peace and in the New Year may prosperity be yours in large measure.

We want to serve you again in 1939.

**CLORE'S
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LEE R. CLORE, Proprietor. Cameron, Texas

Dog Leaves Prison With Paroled Convict

San Quentin, Calif. — Court Smith, warden of San Quentin penitentiary, reaffirmed the doctrine that a dog is man's best friend.

George W. Smith, granted a parole after 17 years' imprisonment, was allowed to take Buddy, a dog that was born in the prison years ago.

WONDER DOG SPELLS WORDS WITH BLOCKS

Answers Questions and Can Distinguish Colors.

Rome.—Bonnie is nominated as the "wonder dog" of the century. She's a 3-year-old black Scotty and lives in Milan.

According to the newspaper La Sera, Bonnie understands Italian perfectly and can spell out words with blocks. Her owner, Gino Del Mar, boasted that she was the most intelligent dog in the world. So a reporter, Gino Giuliani, interviewed Del Mar, and now he agrees with him.

Bonnie's master called her and asked her to tell him his name. The Scotch terrier bounded toward a pile of colored wooden blocks, picked out four letters and laid them side by side, spelling out the name "Gino." Next, Del Mar asked Bonnie to spell out the reporter's name. She watched as Del Mar spelled out the correct letters. Then she ran to blocks and selected the right ones.

Bonnie understands colors, too. When Del Mar asked her for a red block, she didn't hesitate. The same for the yellow, the blue and green blocks.

Bonnie, it seems, understands pictures. Del Mar showed her a picture of a cow. She leaped over to the blocks, brought back five of them, and spelled out the word "vacca," which is Italian for cow. After each command Del Mar gave Bonnie a cookie. But once he purposely forgot to give her one. She stared at him with moist, sad eyes.

"What's the matter?" he asked. Bonnie was over at the block pile again. This time she brought back blocks and spelled out the word "biscotto," the Italian equivalent for cookie.

"It took me four months to teach her to spell with blocks," Del Mar said. "She will answer yes or no when I ask her if she wants to go out for a walk or if she wants a biscuit. Recently she saw a military parade. I asked her what she had seen and she spelled out the words horses and soldiers. I intend to begin teaching her how to count."

Home Made Burglar Alarm Traps 8 Thieves in Row

Kenosha, Wis.—The Bullamore brothers — James, seventy-eight years old, and Albert, sixty-six — and their homemade burglar alarm got their eighth burglar in eight years. He is Samuel Kramer, thirty-one years old, 206 Reed street, Milwaukee.

The Bullamores live in the village of Somers, six miles northwest of Kenosha, and operate a general store. More than eight years ago they rigged up an alarm system that would sound in their adjoining homes if any one broke into the store. They also put up outside switches by which they could turn on all the lights inside the store. When Kramer entered the store in the morning, he started the alarm. The brothers walked out with guns, turned on the lights, and trapped him.

They followed procedure practiced in each of the previous seven times they had trapped burglars. The seventh one they killed. He was Joseph Commonar, a paroled convict. That was last October 23. Of the six other thieves who stumbled into the trap one was wounded.

Girl Abandons Home for Sake of Her Great Dane

Kenmore, N. Y.—Eleanor Ailinger, twenty-three-year-old hospital technician, left here for Savannah, Ga., abandoning her job, home, friends, relatives and native state for her Great Dane, Symbol.

Because the dog's ears had been clipped in violation of the penal code, Justice Herman Jordan ordered it deported and set a recent night as the deadline.

Miss Ailinger, deciding she could not give up the dog, waited until almost the last minute before departing.

"I'm going to stick with Symbol," she said, rejecting offers of dog fanciers throughout the country to give Symbol a home.

The deportation order was granted on complaint of the Erie County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Job Heavy, Loot Small
Chelsea, Mass.—Thieves who broke into the Chelsea Lodge of Moose found "easy money" is not easy here. The thieves moved a 200-pound safe three miles and then laboriously hacked off the unlocked door. Loot totaled \$1.25.

Sues Over Mule Kick
Jessup, Pa.—Edward Fabri sued the Northwest Mining company for \$20,000 because a mine mule wandered into his yard and kicked him in the face.

Chevrolet Dealers Set up New Sales Record in 1938

A phenomenal record of 11,837,153 sales has been set by the Chevrolet Dealers of America during the last five years, according to W. E. Holler, general sales manager.

Mr. Holler has just completed his 5th year as Chevrolet general sales manager and it was brought out in an interview in New York at the Automobile Show started that 4,187,718 new cars and trucks were sold by company dealers during his administration, while at the same time they were selling 7,649,435 used cars. "The volume achieved by Chevrolet dealers during the last five years exceeded the largest company records for any previous five year period, including the boom years of 1929 and 1928 by 750,417 new passenger car and truck sales, and 1,849,012 used car sales," said Mr. Holler. "During this same five year period Chevrolet dealers sold 842,519 trucks, and this exceeds by 250,916 truck sales any previous five year truck sales in the 27 years' history of the company. "This outstanding selling record actually obtained for the company six years results in five years of selling, and is a testimony to the co-operative selling ability of 8900 Chevrolet dealers in the United States."

Asked how this all-time peak selling record was achieved Mr. Holler replied—"When fundamental policies are established that are fair and equitable to a dealer organization—and then they are carefully and conscientiously administered year by year—accumulated confidence and selling strength bears results not obtained by any other temporary activities or plans. We attribute this six year record of results, obtained in only five years, to the Quality Dealer Program, with its elimination of over-packing of dealers and its scientific appointment of dealer locations, with consequent strengthening of the entire Chevrolet merchandising structure as it deals with the buying public.

"The ultimate consumer has already discovered that the Chevrolet Dealer is a permanent establishment in the community, with his growing

strength, financial independence and merchandising and service reputation.

"Such other policies as the planning partnership—where there is a committee of ten dealers on new car planning and ten dealers on used car planning in every one of the 45 zones in the United States—enables Chevrolet Dealers to transmit directly the practical merchandising plans and programs that they feel are necessary for their own interests and the interests of their own communities; and when these are brought thru the Regions and National Committees in Detroit they become national policies which immediately affect the sales policies making them most practical in field operations." Incidentally R. G. Grabein of the Grabein Chevrolet Company here, was a member of the used car planning committee of 1937.

"Not only does the consumer or purchaser recognize today outstanding reputation of the Chevrolet Dealer, but everything that the factory organization and the dealers together combine to promote in every local community has survived the test of dealer analysis, dealer thinking and dealer planning. It is a matter of record that 63 per cent of all of the recommendations made by the dealers have actually become the Chevrolet retail selling policies nationally.

"As a further confidence of the close dealer and factory relationship in Chevrolet, schools for dealers' sons have been conducted throughout the year 1938 with three graduating classes, comprising over 100 sons of dealers. These young men through the most strenuous practical retail merchandising courses have qualified for their diplomas, and have returned to their fathers' places of business to assume a leading position in the local dealer's operation. This proves conclusively that Chevrolet dealers realize and appreciate the heritage that can and is being built in Chevrolet retailing, to the extent that their sons in selecting a life vocation are now joining hands with their fathers in the operations of the independent dealer's operation.

"It is recognized in the Industry

that these Chevrolet policies initiated over five years ago and carefully administered by trained specialists have been accumulating in value and results month by month."

It is not enough, concluded Mr. Holler, to declare in activities and writing fine dealer policies, but is much more important to see that these same policies are actually carried out in every detail for the interests and in behalf of the dealer organization.

This five year plan instituted by Mr. Holler has set a very definite trend, it is claimed, which other automobile companies have adopted in their relationships with their dealer bodies.

Roosevelt's Greetings Broadcast to U. S. Navy

WASHINGTON.—Christmas greetings from President Roosevelt and high ranking officials of the Navy department will be flashed Christmas eve from the radio towers at Arlington, Va., to the fleet and naval ships and stations throughout the world. The message is an annual custom, awaited by American "gobs" and officers alike in their iron-clad battleships thousands of miles from home.

WALLACE

AND

WALLACE

Attorneys at Law

Over First National Bank
Cameron, Texas



Greetings
To All

To be grateful is to appreciate the spirit of Christmas.

To remember those who have been loyal and true is a happy thought at Christmas Time.

I greatly appreciate the opportunity I have had to serve the people of Justice Precinct 1. Your Confidence and Good Will I value highly and count them among my most appreciated blessings at this Happy Season.

WOMACK BRASHEAR

Justice Peace Precinct No. 1.

To all the People
Sincere Greeting

Appreciation of Friends not only at this time of the year but through all the months is the supreme test of good citizenship and neighborliness.

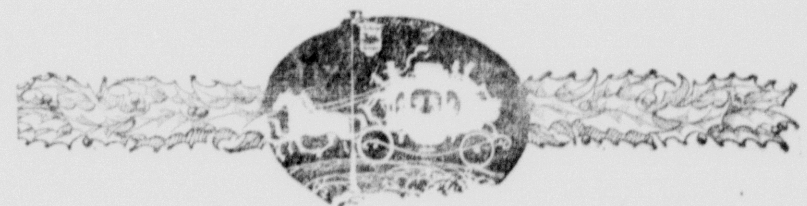
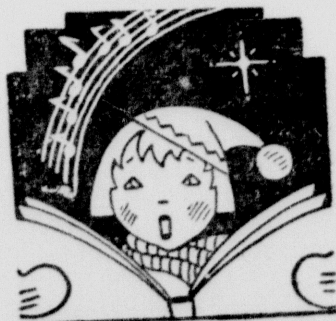
It has been my privilege to enjoy the friendship of many. I trust that I have in some measure properly appraised the value of your good will and friendship. I value your good will above everything.

My sincere wish at this time is that you may be Happy at Christmas Time and in the New Year may you inherit in full measure the Health and Prosperity I know you so much deserve.

TO SERVE YOU IS A HAPPY
PRIVILEGE

Grady Stidham

Commissioner Precinct No. 2.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

In 1938 it was our privilege to have a part in playing the good neighbor and friend. Your patronage leads us to believe you appreciated the service we rendered.

In counting the blessings of the year Friends loom large against the sky of the months. Good Will

and Friendship are the abiding benefits of relations one with another.

During the Holidays this is your welcome to enjoy the Good Cheer of our place. Come and let us express in person to each one our appreciation.

To you and Yours: An Old Fashioned Merry
Christmas and Prosperous New Year

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Gang Center of Chicago Is Playground Area Now

CHICAGO. — Chicago's "Little Hell," where 42 men were slain in 18 months two decades ago, is a paradise for youngsters today. Softball, baseball, boxing and bowling have replaced shotguns and stilts.

"Death Corner," hub of "Little Hell" by virtue of its high death rate, has lost its reputation in the Chicago avenue police station. But Captain Tom Harrison remembers when the half square-mile on the Near North Side was the hotbed of unsolved murders instead of the home of Seward Park, Ely Beach and numerous playing fields.

"It's all been changed now, even the names of the streets," he said. "And the greatest change has been brought about by doctors and law-

yers. They have substituted active sports clubs for the street gangs that formerly provided training in car-stealing and petty thievery."

The Black Hand was the terror of the district during the days in the bootleg trade after prohibition. The young fellows once recruited to fill the gaps in the gunmen ranks are now more interested in Joe DiMaggio than in Al Capone.

Children Tagged

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO. — Police decided that there had been too many missing children — lost or strayed from their parents — at parades here. So they tried out during a parade the system of "tagging" all Youngstownsters. It succeeded.

A young couple wanted to occupy a lovely apartment. See W. I. Clark.

"Christmas, a Feast of Joy, Liberty Light and Happiness"

By T. F. O'SULLIVAN
Pastor Saint Michael's Church, Burlington, Texas

Surely Christmas is the feast of joy because the cradle of Bethlehem is the cradle of our brotherhood with Almighty God.

It is the feast of liberty because the Omnipotent God wrapped in swaddling clothes has saved us by His death, not only from the prison of hell, but also by His teachings from the earthly slavery of tyranny.

It is the feast of light, for the Star of Bethlehem is the lamp of faith which dispels the error of paganism and outlines the celestial truth of Eternity.

Finally, Christmas is the feast of love when our God and our Creator bestowed upon you and me and every human being His best gift, His per-

fect gift, His only begotten Son, to be our brother in suffering, in sorrow and in heavenly reward.

Our slogan then at Christmas should be, "Make our Christmas, Christian."

Rev. T. F. O'Sullivan,
Pastor, St. Michael's Church,
Burlington, Texas.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:

Hereafter all notices of public entertainments to raise money will be published in a special column under a special heading. The Herald has discontinued publication of all free advertising matter.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM WALKERS CREEK SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old. I want you to bring me an air gun, a tractor with a drag on it and some nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Harley Hightower.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy seven years old and I want an air gun, football and a color book. Also please bring me some fruit, nuts and fire works.

Your little friend,
Charlie Hightower, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a big doll with brown hair, and a little rocking chair. Also please bring some fruit, nuts and a box of candy. Please

bring my little baby sister a rubber doll and a rattle.

Your friend,
Betty Jo Small.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old and I want a color book. I want a dog's house with some glass dogs. Please bring me a train going around a little house. I want some apples, oranges and candy.

With love,
Bernice Lucko.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl six years old. Will you please bring me a doll buggy, some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
Sue Simmons.

Jurcek Returns to A. & M. After Judging Success

Louis Jurcek, junior student in poultry husbandry at A & M College was in Cameron Monday, having returned recently from Chicago where he went as a member of the poultry judging team for the State of Texas.

Mr. Jurcek has an enviable record as a student and as a member of judging teams. Before his graduation from Yoe High School, he went to Kansas City as a member of the poultry judging team to represent the State of Texas for the Future Farmer boys. During the Chicago show in November, he was accompanied by E. D. Parnell who coached the team at A & M College. Mr. Parnell was former teacher of vocational agriculture in the Yoe High School and has coached a number of championship teams. Other members of the team were Ted Martin and Alec Warren with Lloyd Praddy as alternate.

The Texas team won fourth place out of nine competing states. Mr. Jurcek was the third high individual in the show and in the contests for production he won the medal taking first place. He won fifth place in the exhibition contest and tied for seventh place in the market contest. Mr. Jurcek lives at Meeks and will graduate from A. & M. College in 1940.

HELP YOUR KIDNEYS

If functional Kidney or Bladder disorders cause Getting up Nights, Backache, Disturbed Sleep, Dizziness or Rheumatic Pains, Dusek Pharmacy will sell you a box of Turner's Juno Tablets on a guarantee. Price 50c and \$1.00.

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Over First National Bank
Cameron, Texas

Employment Service Finds Jobs Here For Many Workers

If the November report of the local office of the Texas State Employment Service is indicative of general business conditions, the outlook for Christmas trade is good, due to the fact that the employment service found 253 jobs for people in Cameron during the past month, R. C. Moody, local manager, said yesterday.

Representative of the service made 176 visits to employers in Cameron, seeking openings for workers. The co-operation that local firms have shown in using the Service by phoning in orders for workers and by sending qualified applicants to the employment office for registration, is appreciated, Moody said.

Claimants for unemployment insurance have filed 114 initial claims and 6999 continuing claims for benefits within the thirty day period and



We can say "Merry Christmas" with genuine feeling this year when we think of friends and customers who made our progress possible in 1939.

We want to serve you again in 1939.

May you be Happy and Prosperous in the New Year.

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DAIRY

jobs for these claimants are being sought by the employment service.

The most outstanding activity of the month has been 170 turkey pickers placed with the Fairmount Creamery Company.

"Leto's" for the Gums

Do your gums itch, burn or cause you discomfort, druggists will return your money if the first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy.

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Gebhardt's
Genuine Mexican
Tamales
Made of U.S. Govt.
Inspected Meat.
...make a meal
you'll never
forget!
Made in Sunny
San Antonio
ASK FOR THEM
AT YOUR GROCER



Please forgive us

If we did not get to see you personally to extend Season's Greetings. We just couldn't see all our friends so we must, of necessity, but not by preference, take this means as a substitute. Yet, we say in print, with just as much sincerity as though we were talking to you personally...

"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

EPLEN FURNITURE CO.

CAMERON THEATRE

Thursday and Friday, December 22 and 23

"Listen Darling"

Freddie Bartholemew, and Judy Garland
Movie Quiz Picture

Saturday, December 24

Down on the Farm

Jed Prouty and Spring Byington
11th Episode "Treasure Island"



PREVIEW

"Torchy Gets Her Man"

Glenda Farrell and Barton MacLane

Sunday and Monday, December 25 and 26



"COWBOY AND THE LADY"

Gary Cooper and Merle Oberon
Movie Quiz Picture

Tuesday and Wednesday, December 27 and 28

'SWING, SISTER, SWING'

Ken Murray and Ernest Truex
Movie Quiz Picture

Thursday and Friday, December 29 and 30

Shirley Temple In 'Just Around The Corner'

Saturday December 31

"Heart of The North"

Allen Jenkins and Margaret Lindsay
12th Episode "Treasure Island"

Midnight Show 11 p. m.

Frankenstein and Dracula

THE MILAM THEATRE

Friday and Saturday, December 23 and 24
"LAW OF THE TEXAN"

Buck Jones



Fifth Episode "Dick Tracy's Return"

A
Yuletide
Wish

To You . . . and You . . . and You

May Old Santa remember you with many things in token of our appreciation of the many kindnesses with which you have remembered us during the past.

**Merry Christmas
Prosperous New Year**

A & W Sales Co.

BOB MURPHY, Manager. Cameron, Texas

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM WATTS SWITCH SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy and if you will please bring me a tricycle, a dump truck that winds up, a tractor, a pair of overalls and some fruit, nuts and candy. I sure would be tickled.

Your little friend,
Bobby Burnette.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a ball and a pencil box. I want some fruit, nuts and candy. Please do not forget my little sisters, father, mother and my teacher.

Your friend,
Ethel Lee Varner.

Dear Santa Claus:

I guess it is very cold up north. I am a little girl almost two years old. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll, a ball and fruit, nuts and candy. Please do not forget the poor boys and girls, so they will have a happy Christmas day.

Your friend,
Betty Grace Varner.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a base ball and a bat. Please bring me some fire crackers and some nuts, candy and fruit. Please don't forget my brothers, sisters and grandpa.

Your friend,
Frank Krajca.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I imagine it is cold at the north pole. I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a 22 rifle, a box of shells, candy, fruit and nuts. Please do not forget my uncle and aunt and grandpa. I have been a good boy and I am ten years old.

Your friend,
Ewain Laywell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a toy cap pistol and a red wagon. I would like a ball. Please bring me some nuts, candy and fruit. Don't forget my sisters and brothers. I am a little boy and I can't write very well.

Your friend,
O. P. Robbins.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a tricycle and a wagon. If I'm not asking for too much I would like for you to bring me a scooter.

Your friend,
Howell Robbins.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big doll and a doll buggy. I want a tricycle and some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Chloma De Robbins.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pistol with some caps. I want a green wagon. I am a little boy. I am just learning to write so I hope you can read my letter.

Your friend,
Frank Novotny.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pistol with caps, gloves, a dump truck with lights and also fire crackers, candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget my sister.

Your friend,
Bobbie Lange.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl. I always try to learn my lessons. My teacher is always good to me. Santa please bring me a doll and a tricky sticks game. My big sister, Mary calls me Niggie, and she says she wants you to bring me a negro doll, because it fits my nickname. Please do not bring me a negro doll, but a white doll.

Your little friend,
Helen Novotny.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a fiddle. I would like a cowboy suit and bring me some fruit and nuts and candy. I want a toy car. Santa if you think I'm not asking for too much I want a football and a B. B. gun.

Your friend,
Emil Pfarrdrescher, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I just thought I would write and tell you I live in a new house now. We do not have a chimney so I will leave the front door open. I want a 22 rifle and a harp.

Your friend,
Monta Angell.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a red wagon, some Micky Mouse cards, some fire crackers and a harp.

Your friend,
Lillie Ann Jekel.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a senior tinker toy and some tricky sticks and a

Switch school. I am a boy nine years old. I am in the third grade this year. I have been going to the same school for three years.

Don't come down our chimney because you are too big. We have fire in our stove every day. Don't freeze coming from the north pole. Don't forget my little cousin, Lillie Ann.

Your friend,
Eugene Jekel.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl. I want a rubber doll and doll buggy. I would like a ball. Please bring me some nuts, fruits and candy. Don't forget the poor little girls and boys.

Your friend,
Laura Ann Varner.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl. I want a tricky stick game, an Uncle Wiggley game and some fruit, nuts and candy. Please do not forget my sisters, mother, father and my teacher.

Your friend,
Bobbie Joyce Varner.

Dear Santa Claus:

I just thought of you so I wrote to you. We have no chimney so I will leave the door open. All I want this year is a 22 rifle. Please bring it to me, and think of the other children, my mother, my father and my teacher.

Your friend,
Leo Bauer.

Dear Santa Claus:

It is very cold up north. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a knife, and some dominoes, harp and fire crackers. Do not forget my brother, sister and all of my friends.

Your friend,
Jerry Novotny.

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Pythian Officers Elected for New Term

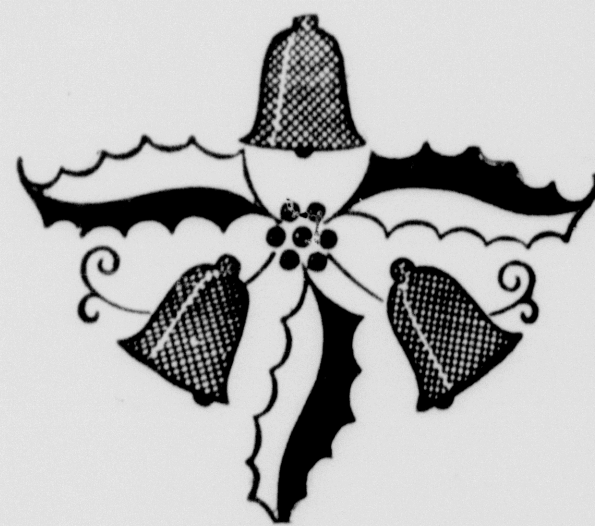
Knights of Pythias at their regular meeting on Monday, December 5, elected the following officers for the coming term: J. W. Haygood, Chancellor Commander; R. P. Williams, Vice Chancellor; W. G. Gillis, Prelate; Lester Glass, Master of Works; J. M. McLean, Keeper of Records and Seal and Master of Finance; L. A. Dusek, Master of Exchequer; Grady Allen, Master at Arms; Barton Brown, Inner Guard; and Abner Ingram, Jr., Outer Guard. At the next meeting of the Knights of Pythias on Dec. 12, there will be rank work.

If it is radio repairs you need remember PARMA RADIO SERVICE started out with a spool and wire, that was when tubes cost around seven and a half, a snap of a switch blew out all the tubes, yes but that was before the New Philco days and before we had the new and modern Philco testing equipment.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The cordial relation between the friends of this firm and our personnel inspires the hearty wish that your Christmas will be joyful and that the New Year will hold for you a gratifying measure of happiness and contentment. We welcome the opportunity to offer this Christmas sentiment in appreciation of the good will and confidence we enjoy from you. From this priceless asset—the good will of all we serve and those who serve us—we

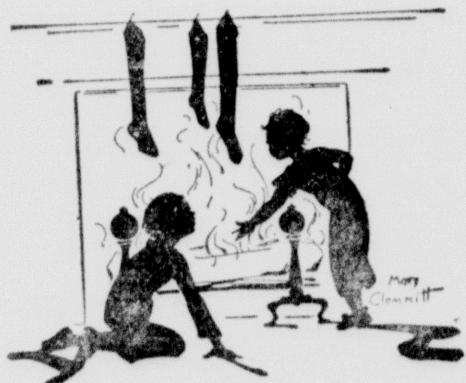
hope to draw inspiration for continued effort and for a greater achievement in the future. As the old year draws to a close, amid the good fellowship of Christmastime, we consider it singularly appropriate to extend the compliments of the season to our good friends. We wish for each of you the Merriest Christmas and a year full of happiness, health and prosperity. May you experience a satisfactory fulfillment of every vision.



Hang Up Your Stocking

And we'll fill it full of good wishes for each of you. Your good will during the past has enabled us to enjoy a record year and we are indeed very grateful.

Merry Christmas to you, and you, and you. May the New Year be filled with joy and prosperity.



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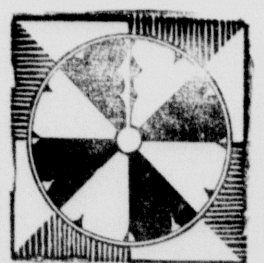


CORDIAL GREETINGS

It is with profound pleasure and appreciation that we take this means of expressing our sentiments of Season's Good Cheer to the friends and customers of this firm. • We gather our humble share of the joys of Christmas from the cordial relations we have enjoyed with each of you in the past. The warm spirit of the occasion reminds us that in our friends do we find our real assets. • In the New Year we pledge continued effort on our part to merit your good will. In appre-

ciation of this fine consideration and associations, and the splendid patronage resulting from them, we extend to you and yours a sincere wish that this will be the happiest of all occasions. • May the spirit of the Yuletide go with you throughout the coming year and may your share of joy be brightened by the acknowledgment of our appreciation of your past favors.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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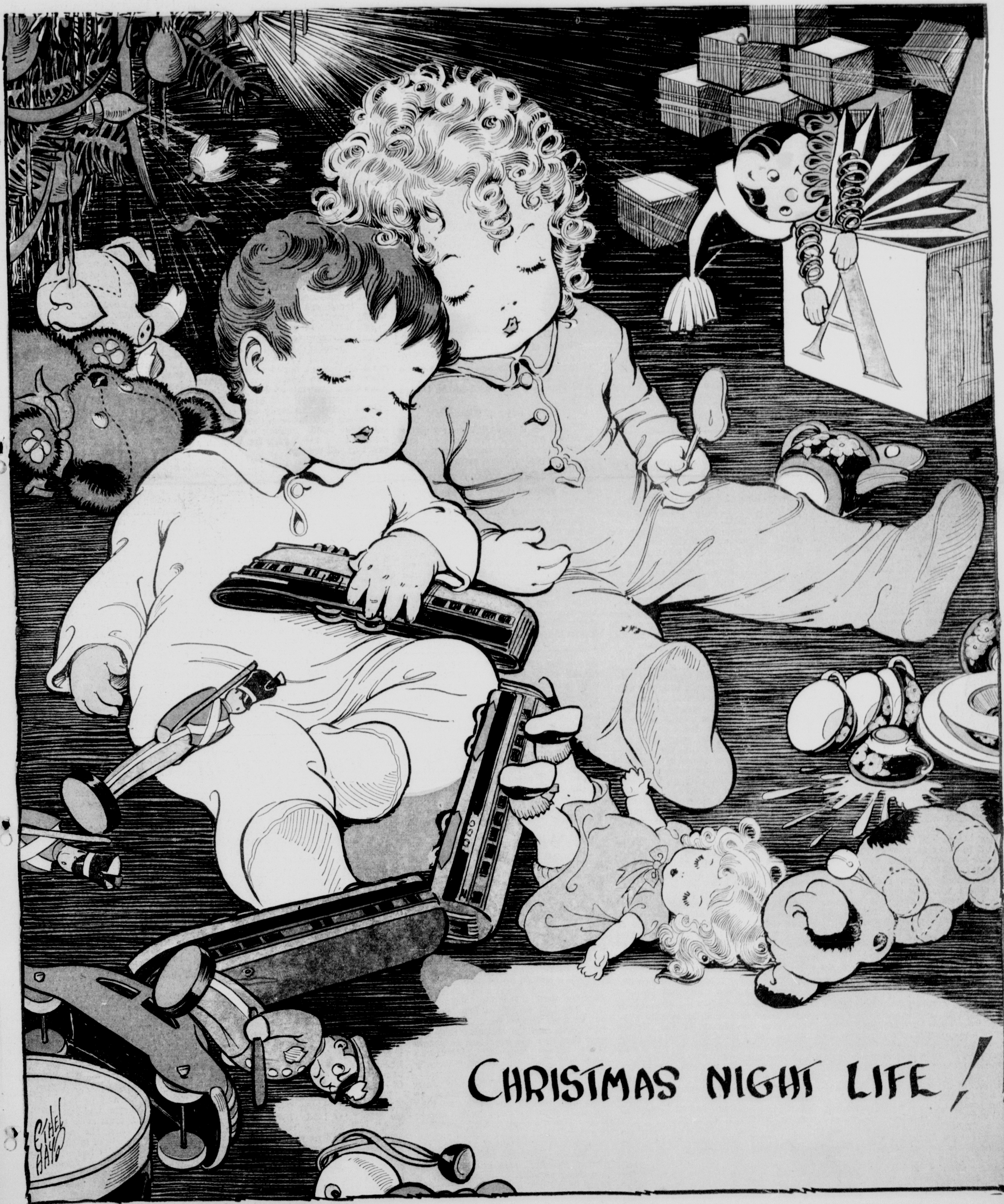
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CHRISTMAS NIGHT LIFE !

Still Over Bethlehem the Silent Stars Go By

By MADELEINE S. MILLER

Bethlehem.

BETHLEHEM of Judea, located near Jerusalem, in Palestine, the Holy Land, will be named in song and story everywhere in Christendom at this Christmastide; the sound of the bells of the Church of the Nativity will be borne on the air all around the world, and the thoughts of millions will turn to the little town in whose fields the shepherds watched their flocks by night and heard the voices of angels.

Most people, perhaps, will think of Bethlehem as merely the town of the legend of that Holy Night of long ago. Yet it is a town of today, a living town of living people. Men ply bread-winning trades here and housewives are busy at their home tasks or bargaining in the noisy market, where still the shepherds come to sell sheep and sleek black goats.

In the narrow winding streets the camel bells tinkle as they did for the Wise Men who followed the Star out of the East. The Church of the Nativity is an active parish church, and the bells that ring round the world at Christmas do daily service, calling to prayer the townsfolk whose homes cluster about it.

Bethlehem 3,000 Years Old

Two thousand homes there are in Bethlehem today. Of an ivory-gold color, with round-arched balconies on the upper story, and flat roofs, they rise in terraces and overlook sweeping vistas of the Dead Sea. The town has been spared, so far, the indignity of those standardized concrete blocks of apartments that you see in Jerusalem, Haifa and Beirut, looking just like others in Russia, Italy, Greece and Rumania, and all apparently poured from the same mold. And that is well; for Bethlehem is too venerable to be thus cheapened.

It was a thousand years old when Joseph and Mary came hither and found shelter in the stable, the festival throng having overflowed the inn—the town was then, as now, on a caravan route.

Perched on a limestone mountain spur 2,500 feet above the Mediterranean

Sea level, Bethlehem has been for thirty centuries what it is today, a place of trade and agriculture. Such were its ways when Benjamin was born in sight of its hill; when Ruth came from the land of Moab; when David, who became King and Psalmist, was a Bethlehem lad.

War has not passed Bethlehem by. The Philistines had a garrison here. Rehoboam and Justinian threw walls about the hill top. Saladin took the place, though he spared the Church and the Grotto, dedicated to the religion of his enemies. The Crusaders came to save it from the Infidel. Godfrey of Bouillon sent Tancred and his knights to guard the sacred spot, and Baldwin, first Christian King of Jerusalem, was crowned here, on Christmas Day, 1101.

Crusaders Passed Away

The Crusaders passed away. The Mohammedans came back and did not spare the Bethlehemites, though still the pilgrims came and went little molested, for travelers have always had their economic value. Now, after nearly two decades of the British mandate over Palestine, racial and religious conflicts still occur in the birthplace of the Prince of Peace, and the company of smart native police and British Tommies stationed within sight of the Church of the Nativity is not there merely for show. Most of Bethlehem's 8,000 inhabitants are Christian Arabs; the Moslem population counts only 200 or so.

Bethlehem means "House of Bread," but agriculture is not now the people's main pursuit. The town is rather the market for the agriculture villages around it, and a place where modest occupations are followed. Tinsmiths, carpenters, stonemasons, shoemakers work at their jobs. The food vendor does a profitable business, either in a modern chain grocery or in the old world sort of store that lurks in caves and smells like the stalls in Jerusalem's Street of David.

Whole families are engaged in carv-

ing mother-of-pearl stars and rosaries out of rough shells brought from the Red Sea or even from the places which supply America's stock of pearl buttons. The women embroider and weave in bright colors and find customers for their handiwork. And there is a sup-



Church of Nativity, Bethlehem.

plementary income—as so long there was in Italy and Ireland—from kind-folk who have emigrated to the United States.

As in Days of Abraham

The camel trains with their tinkling bells do not bear frankincense and myrrh today; they carry heavy loads of stone for building more homes in Bethlehem. The town supplies the goods they take back to the black tents in the pastoral village in the desert, where the campfires burn at night and life goes on very much as it did in the days of Abraham. Even then were towns of a sort where country folk went marketing.

The Bethlehem municipal market with its shady-covered pavilion is one of England's gifts to the people. Here come the stately housewives of Bethlehem, wearing long white cotton veils, draped from a high cap or "shatweh," the front of which is trimmed with coins. Their ample garments of hand-woven striped material in red and blue,

gets a list of poor families from a church every year and outfits them with new clothes. Lucille Ball supplies food and clothing to three families. Claudette Colbert's pet charity is a home for the aged. George Brent gives a dinner for 10 orphans, boys and girls, from 6 to 10 years old.

But the screen stars carry on their major charities quietly or even anonymously. They give to organizations and to needy persons they have known in the industry. Particularly do the old-timers, character players, take care of other old-timers who are down on their luck. But they won't talk about it.

Christmas Starts Early

Christmas makes its first appearance in Hollywood about October 1st, when shapely stock girls are photographed in bathing suits while hanging baubles on a prop Christmas tree.

In the town itself the season hits full swing the week after Thanksgiving, when Leo Carrillo rides down Hollywood Boulevard on a white horse, leading the American Legion, the police band, the Boy Scouts and Santa Claus' float. From then on until Christmas there is a parade every night.

The stars try to get their Christmas shopping done early, but like everybody else they usually do not. So they put on their biggest dark glasses, venture forth into the shopping mob and pray that they can get a few purchases made before somebody recognizes them and they are overwhelmed by autograph hounds.

Last year Dick Powell and Joan Blondell got a department store to open on a Sunday for them and they got their shopping done quickly and in peace. There is more of that procedure this year.

Christmas really starts at noon the day before Christmas when the entire picture industry goes into an expansive mood of holiday cheer, with a party in every office and dressing room building.

with hand-embroidered bibs and wide-pointed sleeves worn under a tight red jacket, are one of the loveliest types of Palestine peasant dress. Bethlehem wives cling to the old design more generally than other villagers.

Formerly assigned to Crusading times, this costume has now been identified with an early biblical period. Some of the portly women who wear it bring fezzed Arab servant boys to carry home the load of purple eggplants, emerald peppers, yellow squash and, in season, great bunches of the luscious green grapes like those the spies brought back to Joshua.

Though the town itself is predominantly Christian, many merchants in Bethlehem Market are Moslem Arabs from the villages. Those who are too poor to afford stalls sit on the ground, dangling their wares before the housewives.

Pageant of Bethlehem Life

Take your stand in some house door under a whitewashed cross—painted square if the family is Greek, unequal-limbed if Latin—and watch the pageant of Bethlehem life move by.

A sweet-faced young Arab mother, her healthy little boy sound asleep on her shoulder, steps along with a green melon balanced on her head and a basket of vegetables swinging from her hand. A village woman is goading a stubborn donkey that refuses to carry its can of goat's milk up the steps to market. There comes a patient camel from Beersheba. Yonder, a prosperous Arab farmer and his wife pile new-bought household wares on their donkey, the man dressed in long garments of cool tan silk and a floating white head-veil, his wife in a hand-woven dress of black, embroidered with red. A black-robed nun stops to inquire for a woman's health; a high-hatted Greek priest pauses at an open door to bid time of morning to a parishioner.

Here moves a dignified grandmother, leading a small boy who sucks Arab candy and grips a huge bunch of grapes. There walks an industrious Bethlehem housewife, carrying on her shoulder a pile of snowy wool just bought at the animal market. Already she is twisting shreds of it between the fingers of her right hand, winding on a home-made spindle a soft yarn from which a new rug will emerge.

Municipal Building

The building dignified by tall black cypresses in the foreground is Bethlehem's municipal building, housing the police, the mayor, the town council, and the prisoners. It stands just where the high road from Jerusalem mounts into the town. Across Manger Square from it is Bethlehem's one mosque. Eastward, over the huge cross, lies the Field of the Shepherds. On tiny paths beyond, men and women with donkeys wind their way to outlying villages where stone watch towers guard the precious fields.

A walk through the narrow streets of Bethlehem reveals homes whose architecture has many a Crusader touch. Some of them must have been built not so long after the pompous crowning of King Baldwin. One notes the stone vaulting of the streets on which these houses face, the arched doors, some with Arabic writing and a

square Christian cross at the threshold. Groups of children are at play.

If you try to make your way into a Bethlehem home, the fiery housewife may slam the door in your Western face. But another will open with gentle hospitality, inviting you into her immaculate kitchen with its stone floor, her plump baby boy swinging in a wooden cradle hung from the low ceiling, and in the air appetizing odors of vegetable marrow frying in olive oil for her husband's lunch. Such a thrifty home, no doubt, had that kind neighbor of Bethlehem who, when Joseph and Mary left the stable of the manger, offered them her tidy guest room. Many holy pictures to the contrary, it may have been that home which received the royal Wise Men who "came into the house and saw the young child with Mary, His mother. . . . And offered unto Him gifts."

News-Minded Town

As you come back from this tour of Bethlehem's streets the town newsman is crying the morning edition of the Bethlehem paper. In the printing office the presses are still whirring. Bethlehem is a very news-minded town. It buys out entire editions. The arrival of the early morning edition in Manger Square causes a flurry. Every one reads the town paper, from the Arab soldier guarding the Grotto of the Nativity, to the mayor whose political organ it is.

That mayor is Issa Bandek, an Arab Christian, son of a Greek priest at the Church of the Nativity. His name, "Issa," is Greek for Jesus. Therefore, he is among those whose birthdays at Bethlehem are especially celebrated with cakes and wine for kinsfolk. Mayor Bandek arrives at his office on the second floor of the municipal building, fronting Manger Square, at 9 o'clock each morning. By the outer stair, ascending to the terrace, he finds waiting a crowd of men and women, in old-time garments, who have come to lay before him (as once before the Cadi) their troubles—petty quarrels over boundaries of melon patches or complaints of small thefts.

Business-Like Mayor

Western visitors, by appointment, are welcomed to Bethlehem in a little private office where, perhaps, the mayor has been conferring with the town council and is just bowing it out. His desk is very businesslike—telephone, letter basket, and all the rest of the up-to-date executive's office furniture. He himself has been to the United States as a member of a committee of his people, and he speaks excellent English. He is a kindly, dark-eyed man and is smartly dressed. He rings for the ceremonial Turkish coffee and cigarettes and, when we leave, escorts us to the terrace.

Up in the belfry of the Church of the Nativity, among the iron-throated bells whose joyous clangor is broadcast to a world where rumors of wars are much too rife for comfort, is a sparrow's nest. The mother sparrow is one of the least of God's creatures, of whom it is written that not one shall fall but the Creator shall take note of it. Let her be a reminder that the ancient promise of the peace to come which Christmas foreshadows includes all those creatures—great and small.

Christmas in Hollywood

By A HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

CHRISTMAS in Hollywood is divided into a lot of giving and receiving. There is much lavish giving; there is the publicity angle, with hundreds of cards, telegrams and small gifts going out to people who, the senders hope, will remember it; there is a great deal of quiet charity.

In past years Marion Davies has given a Christmas party at the children's clinic which she sponsors. One year she got a hundred dozen or so dolls to give away, but sent them back to be replaced because they wouldn't say "Mama."

When Clara Bow was in her flamboyant heyday at Paramount, she gave a Christmas present to every person in the studio, between three and four thousand. And the presents didn't come from the dime store, either. Mabel Norman was another who figured it was her job to bring joy to the world by scattering around a few hundred gifts.

Year before last George Raft gave a present to every member of the "Souls at Sea" company, which was quite a company, and to wardrobe men, make-up men, studio police, publicity men and others who are regularly on his list. He spent \$32,000, not counting gifts in the family. Bing Crosby spent \$15,000 for extra-mural largesse.

And yet folks around Hollywood talk about "the good old days" when the stars really spent dough for Christmas.

Have Business Managers

Actually less money is spent than in the lush era of Hollywood's prodigality, for the same reason that picture stars no longer build houses with gold doorknobs. They have business managers who keep a pretty tight grasp on the purse strings and see to it that the stars have enough in trust funds to keep them out of extra ranks when they aren't stars any longer. But cost of Christmas in the movie colony still runs into big figures.

For example, the diamond salesmen do all right, in spite of business managers, controlled national economy and stock market fluctuations. Some time ago there was an item in a Los Angeles newspaper about a gentleman named Joe McCloskey who had lost a \$20,000 gem on the

streets—one of a number of "trinkets" he was carrying in his pockets to show to picture stars.

In the weeks before Christmas the jewel salesmen practically live in the studios. Last year the average sale to screen celebrities was between \$5,000 and \$10,000 with \$25,000 about tops.

Gifts of Diamonds

The producers, business men of pictures, do the biggest diamond buying. One Christmas time J. L. Warner plunked out \$75,000 for a single stone. And one Christmas Charlie Chaplin bought a \$28,000 necklace.

This sort of thing, however, is usually all in the family and does not concern the splurges of generosity in the studios. More typical is the case of

Kay Francis, who gave a wardrobe girl an automobile and paid an instructor to teach the girl to drive it; of Claudette Colbert, who gives 500 presents and sends 1,000 cards which her press agent says she addresses herself, and that gives you an idea of what press agents can think of; of Carole Lombard, who, with her secretary Fieldsie, goes mildly nuts wrapping packages and whose dressing room the day before Christmas looks like the shipping room of a department store.

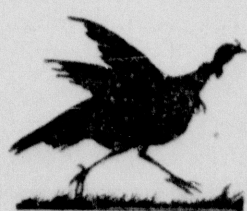
Most of the stars send out several hundred Christmas cards, because they know a lot of people, because some of them send cards to fans who write them frequently and because most of them get lists of newspaper and magazine writers from the publicity departments.

Some Send Plain Christmas Cards

Some players figure up how much cards would cost them at, say 25 cents each, give the money to the Motion Picture Relief Fund and send out plain printed cards, provided by the Fund, which explains what has been done.

A few do not send cards. Dick Purcell says he wishes the world Merry Christmas in advertisements in the trade papers. This procedure accomplishes the same purpose as cards, and nobody is kidded, he opines.

It is impossible to estimate the Christmas charities of the picture people. Actors as a class are notably soft-hearted and on this one score they avoid publicity. Ginger Rogers, I happen to know,



Origin of Christmas' Carols

By JAY WALZ

Cincinnati Inquirer

WHEN the choir of angels hovered over the Bethlehem manger and sang, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men," they not only heralded the arrival of a King but established a custom for celebrating His birth.

These heavenly choristers were the first carolers, their song the first of a great repertoire of hymns with which a world for 1,938 years has set aside its wars and worries to make way for the spirit of Christmas.

Once more the Christmas minstrels are tuning their instruments and conditioning their voices. You'll hear them in church, over the radio, and, maybe, from the front doorstep where a band of joyous singers may very likely pause to serenade you with a stanza of "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

This song, along with "Silent Night, Holy Night," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," will be sung many times this Christmas. And on every hand we will hear expressions of joy and "Aren't the carols beautiful?" Probably the lovers of these Christmas songs don't care for technicalities at such a time and yet, if this story is

to be truthful, it must point out that carols, strictly speaking, are scarce articles these days.

"Silent Night, Holy Night" Not a Carol

Will you believe that "Silent Night," and "O Little Town" are not carols? Or that carols, the real ones, are so little known in this country that only a few persons can name one for every finger on a single hand? I didn't either, until I took a look at a list of the better known ones—better known, I should add, in the eyes of authoritative hymnologists. Here are a few: "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen," "A Virgin Unspotted," "The First Noel," "Seven Joys of Mary," "A Child This Day Is Born," "The Angel Gabriel," "I Saw Three Ships," "The Black Decree," "Holy in the Log," "Cherry Tree Carol," "The Wassail Song," and "Dives and Lazarus."

These are just a few of the titles one comes across when he looks into the history of carols and unusual they sound, indeed, until more of the story is told. You see, the name "carol" wasn't born in church. It was created by Latin laymen who used it to designate the act of "dancing in a ring." And carols came to be sung in church because laymen be-



CURRENT COMMENT

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Good Will Among Men

It is impossible to hate anyone you know," said Charles Lamb, the essayist. One of the blessings of Christmas is that it enables us to know and understand each other. We meet at Christmas trees, sponsored by schools, churches or communities; the young people have their parties; we join neighbors in a hunt, or in singing carols; we have time for greetings, for visits, and by reason of these visits learn to know and esteem our neighbors. Many life-long friendships have had their beginnings at Christmas time.

The same principle holds true for nations. Unfortunately the nations of the world, by their political and economic policies, have been doing their utmost during the past twenty years to hinder, if not abolish, communication with other countries of different political ideologies. It seems the ambition of every country to be self-sufficient; all of them have tariffs to keep out the products of other countries; their trained scientists are trying to find satisfactory substitutes for textiles, foods, minerals (including coal, oil and gasoline) not produced at home in amounts sufficient for their people. It is noted that these scientists have been, in a measure, successful. Synthetic rubber is a partially realized hope of those countries bent on war.

The tragedy of these efforts to make every nation self-sufficient results in isolation, and isolation breeds ignorance, suspicion, doubt and even hatred of other races.

Secretary of State Hull spoke for all Americans when he made a plea for peace among nations and suggested ways to bring it about. In a war-mad world this plea may be as a voice crying in the wilderness, but it should do some good. Among the things he suggested are freer trade relations, settling of differences around the council table, exchange of students and professors. By these means he hopes that nations may learn to know and understand each other better.

When we read of purges in the totalitarian States, persecution of the Jews, dismemberment of Czechoslovakia, slaughter of innocents in Spain and China, we become sceptical of peace on earth and good will among men. Yet in course of time right has always

triumphed over might, good over bad and love over hate.

The World Helps Us to Celebrate

We are indebted to many other countries for things that help in a Christmas celebration. The Chinese first made fireworks and taught the world to use them; in times of peace they still supply much of our pyrotechnic demand. From Japan, Germany and France come many of the toys that delight the hearts of little children. However, a recent report has said that American manufacturers now supply 80 per cent of our Christmas toys.

To fill the stockings of the poorest child Santa Claus brings nuts from America, France, Italy and Brazil; sugar in the cakes and candy from North America, Cuba, Hawaii and South America; chocolate from Mexico, the West Indies or South America; oranges from Texas, Florida, California or Italy; apples from the Western and Northern States of America. Santa has ransacked mines, fields, forests and chemical laboratories of the old and the new world for coloring matter that goes into the beautiful paper in which Christmas gifts are wrapped.

You may think we would not go beyond our own borders for the Christmas dinner. Texas and Oklahoma can furnish the turkey, chicken, beef, lamb, pork, fish, white bread, corn bread, rice, sweet potatoes, pumpkins and most of the fruits and vegetables, yet there are many things in our dinners that come from other States or distant countries. Cranberries would come from the bogs of Michigan, Maine, Wisconsin, New Jersey or Virginia; celery and olives from California, Colorado or Spain; spices, teas and coffees from Arabia, Java, China, Indies or South America.

Multitudes of men and women in fields and factories have had a part in making Christmas dinners possible; while others, from the burden-bearing coolie and donkey-driver, to those who go down to the sea in ships, or pilot trains over long stretches of rails, have helped to bring edibles to our Christmas table. As we sit down to the table on Christmas Day we should banish from our minds all selfish thoughts and gratefully acknowledge our debt to thousands of fellow men

and women in every clime who have wrought to make the Yuletide dinner joyful and satisfying.

Music at Christmas

Music evermore has had its place in the celebration of Christmas. It had its place that first Christmas morn. when the angels sang to the shepherds the carol, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

Hymns and chorals are sung at all church services, and sometimes at special song service, as Christmas approaches. The pupils in our schools prepare entertainments of which music, both vocal and instrumental, is the chief feature. Groups go around from house to house, singing Christmas carols, a custom that reaches far back into the past. There is nothing else so good as music for culture and for our spiritual uplift and enjoyment.

Great singers at Christmas-time will broadcast "Joy to the World," "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing," "O Come, All Ye Faithful," and many other songs as beautiful. In the remotest hamlet or country home we may hear over the radio the "Messiah," sung by 500 or more voices in metropolitan opera houses.

Our young boys and girls are now well trained, both in appreciation of and in ability to sing good music. Christmas is the time of all times when we have songs in our hearts that well up to our lips. At this happy season many of us retrieve some old record like that of "Silent Night," and play it over and over again on the phonograph, so that its beauty and sweetness may sink deeply into our souls.

The American Red Cross

The American Red Cross, since its organization in 1881 by Clara Barton, has constantly grown in the confidence and esteem of our people and in the number who contribute toward making its varied activities possible.

It now operates under a charter granted by the United States Congress. January 5, 1905, to furnish volunteer aid to the sick and wounded in time of war "and to continue and carry on a system of national and international relief in time of peace and to apply the same in mitigating the sufferings caused by pestilence, famine, fire, floods and other great national calamities." Its president, by custom, is the President of the United States. He is a member of the International Red Cross.

Wherever there is suffering or want, the Red Cross is there to aid. Its min-

This is an age of license. You have to get a license to hunt, to fish, to trap, to drive a car, to get married, etc. Wife wanted me to shoot an owl that preyed on her chickens, but I happened to remember I had no license to shoot owls. A neighbor shot and killed a polecat that was prowling around his poultry house. I asked him if he had a license to shoot polecats? He looked surprised, then said: "No, I got no license to shoot polecats and I'll be darned if I get one. Ain't I got a right to kill any varmint that stinks up my place?"

The U. S. will soon be in a flutter over the visit of the King and Queen of England. In Washington they are already wondering where the royal pair will sleep, as they don't seem to have any mattress fit for a king. If they will let one of our Texas factories make a mattress of Texas cotton it will be fit for any king or queen. Very few of us Americans have ever seen a king and the problem is how to conduct ourselves in the presence of his majesty. We are told there are two things we mustn't do while talking to the king—we mustn't put our hands in our pockets or wipe our noses on our sleeves.

Money affects some people in a funny way. I have a friend who, in passing, always saluted me with his whole hand. Recently he was paid \$5,000 insurance money and now, in passing, he salutes me with only one finger. Had said friend been paid \$10,000 instead of \$5,000 I am afraid he would have passed me with just a flicker of the eyelash.

Tax collectors have become psychologists. They now employ pretty girls to write out tax receipts. If collectors had started hiring pretty girls years ago there would now be no tax delinquencies. A man who paid five years' back taxes the other day told me he expected a heart attack when he paid out the money, but, instead, he came away from the tax office feeling like a gay young blade.

Medical men claim that some diseases can now be treated successfully with music. For a high fever they play: "Greenlands Icy Mountains." For rheumatism, "It's a Hot Time in the Old Town To-night."

istrations reach from the humblest home to the far-flung battlefields of Spain and China, where its hospitals are open to the sick and wounded. Norman H. Davis, chairman of the American Red Cross, in commenting on the widening sphere of the organization, said:

"We grow as we serve. It must continue to be our aim to bring the Red Cross into touch with the lives of greater numbers of our citizens. This we can do through extending to them the benefits we are organized to give, as well as through inviting them to become members in the giving service."

In no other branch of its activities has it made greater progress than in health service. A late report shows that it has 42,059 graduate nurses enrolled for emergency disaster, of whom 14,895 are subject to call for war service.

The nation, as a whole, appreciates the work of the American Red Cross. Its membership of 5,523,585 is the largest ever enrolled except during the World War. The Junior Red Cross, operating in the schools, has a membership of approximately 10,000,000.

Ancient Civilization in Oklahoma

Whether Oklahoma, in the long ago, was inhabited by a race that had made great progress in the arts of civilization or whether a regular trade route passed through it from Central America to the shores of Lake Superior is a question that now baffles scientists.

In Oklahoma there have been unearthed many artifacts of an ancient people. Among them are arrow-heads so artistic and delicate that it is certain they were made for ornament only. At the same place implements of copper were found.

The discovery of a pottery plate ornamented with designs used, so far as known, only by the Mayans of Central America and Yucatan, leads scientists to believe that the site where these things were found was either an outpost of Mayan civilization or situated on a kind of caravan route to the north.

As their monuments and temples prove—those that have been reclaimed from the jungles—the Mayans had a highly developed civilization. Further proof of their culture is found in the fact that they discovered a system of notation, making calculation easy. This system was much like the Arabic, now in common use, which was developed by the Hindus of India. That the Mayans had well established trade routes is certain. They may have got copper from the west, or far north, as seems to be indicated by the excavations in Oklahoma. Even the savage Indians brought some things from afar. They went from the Carolinas to Ohio for the blue flint for their arrows, tomahawks and knives, for Ohio was their nearest source of blue flint supply.

What became of these ancient civilized people in Oklahoma we do not know. All vestiges of them had disappeared completely until the recent explorations.

Accidents

For the first time since the automobile came into general use, fewer accidents have been reported. So far 1937 accidents are under 1937. We are still far from the goal of having a minimum number of automotive accidents, but many persons will have a merry Christmas who would be under the sod had the fatalities been as high as in 1937.

Pedestrians in ever increasing num-

bers now stop and look before crossing streets; they have learned to walk on the left side of the highway so as to face the moving automobile or truck rather than have it creep up behind them if they walk on the right side. Drivers in our cities have cut down their speed, observe traffic signals, and are more careful in making left turns, say traffic officers. On the highways they reduce their speed around sharp curves and obey the warnings to a greater extent than ever before. Truck drivers are becoming more considerate of those who would pass them. Creepers who hog the middle of the highway and hold up traffic are still with us and

Westbrook Pegler suggests that there should be an open day every year when road hogs could be lawfully shot by exasperated motorists.

Those who police streets and highways are getting credit for enforcing the laws more rigidly than ever before. Another reason for the decrease in accidents is attributed to better and stronger cars, more easily controlled than formerly.

But all fatalities from accidents are not on streets and highways. The home is a dangerous place. Some well-intentioned persons have been counting the deaths due to accidents in the home, and the figures are appalling. The bath-tub and bath floor seem to be the chief offenders, but we kill and maim ourselves by falling down stairways, off chairs and tables, scalding ourselves, getting too near the flame of stoves and fire-places, and in many other ways. Accidents in the home are usually due to carelessness or wilfulness. Except in cases of children and the aged, they are almost inexcusable. There should be a concerted effort against accidents in the home same as against automotive accidents on streets and highways.

Texas Wildlife and Its Conservation

A leaflet published by the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission gives the following information about Texas wildlife:

Texas' wildlife resources are valued at \$93,000,000, or \$15 for every man, woman and child in the State.

Texas sportsmen each year spend \$25,000,000 for guns, ammunition, fishing equipment, hotel accommodations, and the various things needed for hunting and fishing trips.

Last year more than 30,000 deer and several thousand wild turkeys were killed, "with no damage to seed stock," a statement that we are gratified to see in the report.

Texas has more landowners in the business of producing game than any other State. We hope the number may be greatly increased, for "there are millions of acres of favorable wildlife habitats in Texas that are producing virtually none of the species for which they are suited."

On account of our greater variety of climate and environment we have more species of birds and animals than any other State. The song and insectivorous birds of Texas are estimated to be worth \$40,000,000 annually to agriculture.

Texas has nine fish hatcheries, producing and distributing last year approximately 4,000,000 fingerling fish.

It is about 400 miles as the crow flies from the mouth of the Sabine to the mouth of the Rio Grande, but counting islands, bays and inlets, Texas has 2,000 miles of shoreline—a wonderful feeding ground for fish and waterfowl.

Shrimp, not oysters, is the major marine crop of Texas. Over 12,000,000 pounds are taken annually.

We all regret that many of our game animals and birds have been well nigh exterminated, but the following, copied from the report, is encouraging:

"If proper interest is secured and maintained, Texas could develop many wildlife resources to the economic and aesthetic benefit of the State. Much could be done to restore and protect the collared peccary; antelope herds in Western Texas could be further increased, probably to the point where they would have shutable populations; many fur bearers could be restored to their former abundance; the gray and fox squirrels of Eastern Texas could be greatly benefited by proper hunting regulations; prairie chickens, which once afforded good hunting over most of Texas, could be restored over much of their former range, and other game birds, such as the blackbelly tree duck, the white-winged dove, the chachalaca, the red-billed pigeon, and the white-fronted dove, could by proper management be increased in numbers."

The Great American Home



WELL, YOU WOULD WAIT UNTIL THE MORNING OF THE PARADE TO GET IT OUT //

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

Winnboro, Texas.

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WE have only one more month of this year to balance our budget. We have too many budgets to balance. When one budget is balanced two more get out of balance. The year just passing has been about the same length as other years, yet it seems a long one according to all that has happened. However, every year is a long year when you don't make money. Let prosperity return and any old year will seem like a weekend. Here's wishing 1939 will be short and sweet—all our fondest hopes realized and all our happiest dreams come true.



"Homely as a shanghai rooster struttin' around among pretty plymouth rock hens."

were baptized and came straight up out of the water or were just sprinkled; how many children have had whooping cough, how many have had adenoids removed. But census-takers, as a rule, are mighty polite, even if they do ask a lot of questions. The last census taker who came to the Gandy home apologized when he asked wife whether she had fallen in love with me at first sight or whether I wooed her a long time and eventually made her believe she was marrying a peach instead of a lemon.

I read in the paper where a man in New York had made millions out of a gadget that makes women more beautiful; his factory can't keep up with the orders. We didn't need anything to make women more beautiful—they are beautiful enough—but we do need something to beautify man. The average man is as homely as a shanghai rooster struttin' around among a flock of pretty plymouth rock hens.

Astronomers tell us that the planet Mars is 210,000,000 miles from the earth but in July this year the planet will be only 36,000,000 miles away and will come no nearer. That's comforting in view of the recent panic following a broadcast over the radio which said that the Martians were attacking and destroying the earth's inhabitants with deadly rays and gases. This incident shows it's easy to start a panic among well-meaning people. Assuming the Martians have super airships that travel the stratosphere at 2,000 miles an hour, it would require over 13 years for a fleet of their ships to fly the distance between their planet and the earth. We should worry—not about Mars but about some other countries that need fly just 3,000 miles to attack us.

Uncle Sam already is making preparations to take the 1940 census. So many things have happened since the last census that it will require acres of floor space in Washington to store the data. Several acres will be needed to store what happened to the New Dealers in the recent State elections. They say more questions than ever will be asked by the 1940 census-takers. They will want to know, among other things, about your family tree; if you

BRIEF TEXAS NEWS---from Over the State

MARRIED 72 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Calvert, of Joshua, (Johnson county), married 72 years, have 108 living descendants.

560 STUDENT FLIERS

Randolph Field, near San Antonio, largest student flying field in America, now has 560 students under training at the field.

WILL SHIP 15,000,000 ROSE PLANTS

Rose plant growers in the Tyler and Arlington areas estimate that Texas will ship out during this season about 15,000,000 rose plants—a total of 700 carloads.

SERVED ONE OFFICE 40 YEARS

Dush Shaw was elected county clerk of Gregg county in 1898 and has been re-elected each term since then, having held the office continuously for 40 years.

OWNS 150-YEAR-OLD BIBLE

Mrs. John R. Wilson, 4335 McKinney Avenue, Dallas, owns a family Bible containing birth record dates of 1788. The book, printed in Edinburgh, Scotland, was given Mrs. Wilson by her mother.

DRESS MADE OF CORN

Mrs. Virginia Winn, of Mercedes, (Hidalgo county), was photographed wearing a stylish gown made of Texas corn. Each grain was sewed by hand to the material and the total number of grains used were 60,000, said the Harlingen Star.

MOTHER NANNY HAS QUADRUPLETS

Bessie, a nanny milk goat, owned by Elvis Rutherford, near Corpus Christi, recently gave birth to quadruplets, all living. Nanny is a registered Toggenberg and averages six quarts of milk a day.

LONDON SCHOOL MEMORIAL

A contract for erection of a granite memorial to the 294 students and teachers killed in the New London school explosion in March, 1937, was recently awarded to the Premier Granite Company, of Llano, for \$16,751. Texas pink granite will be used.

35-YEAR-OLD CAR LED PARADE

Charles Matula, of Schulenberg, led the big Centennial parade at Hallettsville, in October, with his 1903 model T Ford. Charley says he has refused \$1,000 for the old model 2-cylinder chain drive vehicle which sold for \$900 when new and had a top speed of 30 miles per hour.

524,700 PERSONS VISIT STATE PARKS

Texas State parks were visited by more than half-a-million persons during the four months ending October 1, 1938, the National Park Service announced. Mackenzie State Park at Lubbock drew highest attendance with 268,200 visitors. Tyler was second and Daingerfield was third.

DOG INHERITS INCOME

Upon the recent death of Mrs. F. P. Jennison, of Fort Worth, her will revealed that she had left an income from three rent houses to her pet dog, Toodies. The dog will be cared for by Joel Anderson, former employe of Mrs. Jennison. If Anderson outlives the dog he will inherit the three houses and lots, according to the will.

VALLEY SHIPMENTS 1938

Rio Grande Valley carload shipments of fruits and vegetables this season up to November 25th include the following: Grapefruit 2,907, oranges 226, mixed citrus 252, lemons 8, tomatoes 84, beets 36, peppers 38, carrots 3, beets and carrots 3, snap beans 3, squash 4, mixed fruit and vegetables 4, frozen vegetables 2, mixed vegetables 52. Total 3,622 carloads.

FFA FORESTRY PROJECT

Jacksonville Journal: "Cherokee county Future Farmers have just completed plans for a two-acre forestry project which is to be set in 2,000 trees of three varieties of pine, loblolly, slash and long leaf. The trees are to be furnished by the Texas Forestry Service. Purpose of the project is to show people of this community what may be planted on waste land. A cash crop may also be grown on the same land at the same time."

RECREATIONISTS SPENT MILLIONS

Recreational travelers spent \$185,350,000 in Texas during 1937, the National Park Service reported to Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes, equivalent to \$30.30 for each person living in the State.

2,600-POUND STEER

Claude Willis, a Forestburg, (Montague county), farmer, owns a steer 7 years old that weighs 2,600 pounds, says the St. Jo Tribune.

SMALL POX INCREASES

The State Health Department reports that small pox throughout the State this year is five times more prevalent than last year, and diptheria had increased 100 cases over 1937.

"LIVE-AT-HOME" FARMER

Uncle Doc Henderson, of Cherokee county, 80 years old, can have a good Christmas dinner at home without buying anything much but sugar and coffee. This year he has raised and canned many vegetables and fruits; has two good milk cows; 75 chickens; half dozen meat hogs—all fed from products raised on his farm.

ATE 2,000 POUNDS OF THANKS-GIVING TURKEY

A. & M. College cadets ate approximately 2,000 pounds of turkey Thanksgiving day, not including "accessories" that usually go with a turkey dinner. It costs on an average of 69 cents a day each for food for the 2,900 cadets.

KILLS 25-POINT BUCK DEER

G. F. Schreiner, former member of State Game and Oyster Commissioner, killed a buck deer near Kerrville recently with 25-point horns. Schreiner, a veteran hunter in the hill country, said it was the largest buck he ever bagged.

RARE \$50 BILL

A rare \$50 bill issued by the Republic of Texas in 1840 and bearing the signature of Mirabeau B. Lamar, was presented to the Lamar senior high school of Houston, by H. E. Elrod, Houston engineer. The bill bears the picture of General Sam Houston.

QUIEN SABE?

The San Angelo Standard, stickler for accuracy, wonders why we refer to a Stetson hat, 7½ size as a 10-gallon hat when it holds approximately one gallon of water.

1,000 DEER BAGGED IN ONE COUNTY

More than 1,000 deer were killed in Gillespie county during the first four days of the current hunting season, according to records of local cold storage plants at Fredericksburg where the bucks had been placed in storage.

ONE TEXAN MADE A MILLION

A final tabulation of income tax returns for 1936 by the U. S. Treasury showed persons with over \$1,000,000 net income were distributed as follows: New York 25, Delaware 7, Pennsylvania 6, New Jersey 5, Illinois 5, Michigan 4, Florida 2, Maryland 2, Connecticut 1, District of Columbia 1, Nevada 1, Texas 1, and Virginia 1.

PIONEER KILLS PANTHER

Although 83 years old, C. E. Stapp, pioneer ranchman, residing near the Kerr-Kimble county line, is still able to aim a rifle accurately. He fired two bullets into the body of a panther that his dogs had bayed within 150 yards of his home. The dead panther weighed 128 pounds and measured 6½ feet in length. One of the dogs was badly crippled by the slashing paws of the panther.

BABY BORN WITH TEETH

Eagle Pass Guide: "A fine nine-pound girl was born with two teeth, November 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. Fernando R. Galan at their home on Comal Street in this city."

SCHOOL ADDS SAFETY COURSE

Gonzales county's common school district was the first in Texas to add safety education studies to its curriculum. The course affects 3,000 students in 81 schools.

OFFERS HIMSELF FOR SALE

Narciso H. Guerra, 33 years of age, offered himself for sale in San Antonio recently for \$3,000—in one piece or in portions. Guerra complained that he could not find employment to support his wife and three children.

STATE INCOME 1937

According to a census Bureau report for fiscal year, ended with August, 1937, the total revenue paid the State was \$177,220,355. Education was the largest item on the State's list of expenditures, costing \$47,149,158. Charities cost \$22,638,811 while highways cost \$18,188,946.

A Candle to Kindness

By RUTH ALLEN
Detroit, Mich.

As many candles will illumine American homes this Christmas, I want to light a Candle to Kindness. To the spirit of kindness we owe much of that courage and faith which carried us through the difficult years just past. It is the same good will which lightens many burdens when individuals are troubled with problems they know not how to solve.

Kindness is peace, gentleness, magnanimity, affection, brotherly love. I want the light of my candle to shine upon care-worn faces; to instill new hope and purpose into harried hearts.

I want it to glow steadily for men, women and children—old and young—the rich, the poor and those afflicted with prolonged illness. The record of history includes countless deeds of kindness; for the welfare of mankind it is needed today, as in the past, and will be needed as long as earth and races endure.

Kindness is the eternal grace which creates faith, hope and charity in the human heart. May my candle be a shining symbol of the kind acts of neighbor, friend or stranger; the generous word of brother or sister; patient guidance of parents; consideration of husband and wife. For, "Now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity."

Christ Himself, whose birth we celebrate, was the epitome of kindness during His days on earth. His willingness to comfort and heal the afflicted, to shed His blood for the redemption of the world was a supreme act of compassion and self-denial.

Wherefore, as we gather around our Christmas trees, our firesides, may the light of the Prince of Peace guide us, as I light my candle to that matchless Spirit of Christmas—TO KINDNESS!

LOW YIELD PER ACRE

The latest government estimation on the 1938 cotton crop shows how low Texas is in its yield per acre, compared to other Southern States. The Texas production of lint per acre is 154 pounds, while that of Arkansas is 269; Louisiana 265; Alabama 238; Mississippi 305; South Carolina 243; North Carolina 225, and Georgia 197.

RABBIT HUNTERS WARNED

Dr. George W. Cox, State health officer, said 75 cases of tularemia or rabbit fever had been reported this year as against 40 at the same date last year. The disease usually is contracted when skinning rabbits. Dr. Cox advised the use of rubber gloves for the skinning process.

WILL ROGERS MEMORIAL FUND

A \$60,000 trust fund to provide scholarships for physically handicapped students will be turned over to the University of Texas board of regents by the Will Rogers Memorial commission, said Jesse Jones, chairman of RFC and treasurer of the commission. He added the fund was not a gift but a trust to be administered in perpetuity by regents and trustees.

ONE COUNTY WITHOUT PWA

Kenedy county, Texas, population 700, is the only county in the 699 counties comprising the PWA fifth region that does not have a PWA project, said George M. Bull, regional PWA director.

DISTILLS WHISKY—DOESN'T DRINK IT

George F. McCord, employed in a distillery at Juarez, Mexico, has been distilling whisky 50 years but says he has never tasted a drop of it. "Not me, I just make it," he declared. McCord learned the trade of distilling from his father in Kentucky.

TAXABLE VALUES JUMP \$75,755,215

State Comptroller George H. Sheppard reported an increase of \$75,755,215 in taxable property values for State purposes in 233 counties, 20 not reporting, up to November 19, 1938.

Sheppard said the assessments totaled \$3,582,183,408 for all purposes compared with \$3,506,428,193 for the same counties in 1937. Harris county led the State in taxable values with Dallas county second.

VETERAN, 100, DIES

Milton B. Cox, Limestone county's oldest Confederate veteran, who recently celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary, died November 10th at his home, 10 miles north of Groesbeck. Cox served during the entire war between the States under Generals Joseph E. Johnston, Bragg and Hood.

SKUNKS PARK IN TRUCK

When Henry Tetchman's truck stalled late one evening, near Galveston, he left it there parked on the side of the road. During the night two prowling skunks crawled into the truck and bedded up. Next morning Henry drove the truck to a shop for repairs, not suspecting he had two strange passengers snuggled down under the seat. He wondered at the persistent, unmistakable odor, but not until mechanics had discovered and routed two skunks did he realize the origin of the odor and identity of his strange passengers.

100,636 WPA WORKERS

A total of 100,636 workers in Texas are on WPA rolls, it was reported by State Administrator H. P. Drought. Of this number 92,670 are employed on current regular WPA projects. In addition, 4,800 farmers are at work on WPA projects and 3,836 persons are employed on projects under supervision of other governmental agencies but financed by WPA.

STATE DEFICIT \$20,000,000

State Treasurer Charley Lockhart reports the general fund deficit, as of November 26, 1938, at a record high of \$20,000,000.

Cash on hand at the end of the fiscal year totaled \$475,076 compared with \$1,172,437 in the preceding year.

Income during the last year included \$9,349,183 Federal funds to match State payments; \$3,602,365 from the liquor tax fund; \$4,371,683 from the cigarette tax fund; \$968,617 from the liquor license fund; \$15,449 miscellaneous, and \$392,520 receipts net to the fund which are not collected by the Treasurer.

MONUMENT TO PIONEER WOMAN UNVEILED

Texas' \$25,000 memorial tribute to its pioneer women was unveiled at Texas College for Women, Denton, in December. The monument is the work of a New York sculptor, Leo Friedlander. It represents a typical pioneer woman—clad from ankle to neck.

TEXAS PORTS SHOW TONNAGE INCREASE

The volume of tonnage handled through Texas ports for the first six months of the calendar year of 1938 shows a large increase over last year, it was disclosed by the district office of the United States Army Engineering Corps. The grand total for all Texas ports was 47,425,559 tons this year, compared with 46,688,666 last year. Export tonnage for all Texas ports jumped from 5,678,052 tons in 1937 to 9,884,912 in 1938.

HAMPSHIRE SOW FARROWS 21 PIGS

Graham Reporter: "E. L. Baldwin, who resides one mile west of Jean, (Young county), has been conducting a pig nursery since one of his fine Hampshire sows farrowed 21 pigs last Friday. Eighteen of the pigs lived, and it has been necessary to feed part of them with bottled milk since it was impossible for the sow to take care of that many."

62 PER CENT AUTOS DEFECTIVE

Texas highway patrolmen, who examined 35,899 automobiles in 30 days reported 22,122 had some mechanical defect that might lead to a traffic accident.

State Police Director Homer Garrison criticized motorists for not dimming their headlights. He said drivers blinded by bright lights were involved in traffic crashes that killed seventy-three pedestrians and injured 183 others in the first eight months of this year.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AIDED

Ten Texas colleges and universities will be aided by an expenditure of \$2,372,961 PWA funds in 1938, said George M. Bull, regional director. The projects are:

North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, \$597,727.
East Texas State Teachers College, Commerce, \$189,090.
Sam Houston State Teachers College, Huntsville, \$129,090.
University of Houston, Houston, \$278,600.
Texas Technological College, Lubbock, \$350,909.
Southwestern Texas State Teachers College, San Marcos, \$213,000.
A. and M. College, College Station, \$100,000.
University of Texas, Austin, \$123,636.

FOOTPRINTS OF HUGE DINOSAUR DISCOVERED

Roland T. Bird, employed by the American Museum of Natural History, New York, reported recently that he came upon a trail of dinosaur footprints at Glen Rose, (Somervell county), Texas, larger than any yet discovered in the United States. Mr. Bird was studying other fossil footprints in the bed of the Paluxy river, near Glen Rose, when he unexpectedly uncovered the tracks of the big dinosaur, known to science as the sauropod, a huge ungainly creature that roamed the earth 100,000,000 years ago, say scientists.

Mr. Bird made a plaster cast of the footprints which he will take back with him to New York. "This Glen Rose sauropod," said Bird, "could stride 12 feet. His forefoot tracks measured 24 inches across, his hind foot tracks 26 inches across. He must have weighed at least 20 to 30 tons and his tracks prove that he walked upright instead of crawling like a lizard."

The Glen Rose section has long been known for rare fossil remains. Other large dinosaur tracks have been discovered there by Prof. Ellis Schuler, of the Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

Mac, Opportunist

By Boughner



Christmas Decorations

By ARNOLD M. DAVIS
Assistant Extension Horticulturist,
Massachusetts State College

EVERGREEN trees are peculiarly a typical Christmas decoration. At no other season do we bring a tree indoors and deck it with all kinds of ornaments. In olden days fetching the tree from the woods was called

"bringing home our Christmas" and how true this is. Christmas does not seem to have really arrived until the tree is indoors, decorated and spreading its aromatic odor through the house. Then the jovial and friendly spirit of the holiday season takes possession of everybody, from the smallest child whose starry eyes are beaming his first Christmas tree to the aged grandmother who has seen many Christmas trees.

There are varied simple and attractive indoor decorations which can be used. The influencing factor is the availability of material or the particular interests of the person who is doing the decorating.

Mantels

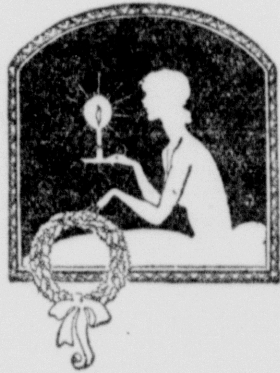
Mantels can well have some attention devoted to them. Boughs of evergreen may be laid on the mantel and perhaps one or two boughs can be tucked in behind a picture. This is a simple decoration and one which can readily be removed.

If a more lasting type of decoration is desired, a shallow bowl, preferably a long, narrow type of container, in which a flower holder has been placed, will hold an arrangement of holly or some other similar material.

Bayberry candles, burning in candlestick holders, or at least standing in candlestick holders, also give a definite holiday atmosphere to any room.

The front hall, or reception room, should have something of color and holiday spirit, if one anticipates guests. Grouping of evergreen material can be done by securing the branches of any type of evergreen to a cord, by means of string or wire draped over the doors. This will give a desirable effect.

It is possible to procure from a florist what is known as a Christmas ball, which will hang from the light in the hall and into which one can place some mistletoe to add to the gaiety of the occasion. Balls of this type are very decorative. They are usually made on a mat of moist sphagnum moss, which insures the keeping quality of the material for a relatively long period. The conventional wreath can also be used in the hall as a decorative motif, or simply placing a vase of evergreen material with colorful fruit in one of the corners or on the hall table will serve to create a holiday atmosphere.



Nothing is more enduringly beautiful than one or a group of angels or a delicately designed madonna. Made of porcelain or plaster, these little figures, lighted dramatically, introduce something of tender remembrance to the Christmas celebration.

Besides, they can be combined year after year with different decorations and arranged in innumerable ways with candles, glittering metallics, or Christmas greens.

Dining Room

The dining room can well stand decorating in two principle parts. Put decorations at the sideboard or china closet, depending on which is used, and the dining room table. I feel that decorations should be rather predominant on the sideboard and not too excessive on the dining room table. Perhaps one of the most distinctive type of decorations for the dining room table would be a small bowl of holly or mistletoe with candles standing around it.

By a bowl of holly or mistletoe, I mean a container for holding plants into which a holder has been placed and in which the decoration is arranged in a neat and attractive manner. The same effect can be produced by using pine branches on which the cones still remain and working colored berries in with them. If pine is not available, the bright colored leaves of oak or other native trees will serve well for this purpose. Artificial berries can also be used.

Since I have mentioned artificial berries, may I say that there are many very delightful types of decorations which are entirely artificial and which are quite colorful. For example, a shallow plate on which some evergreen boughs have been placed furnish a little foundation to prevent Christmas balls from rolling.

This will make an excellent decoration, if you will simply secure the round balls in various colors that are used to hang on Christmas trees and arrange these in a pile on the plate. This is a colorful light arrangement and simple even with a very minimum amount of evergreen material.

There are several sources of supply for sideboard decorations. The florist is always equipped with Christmas baskets and Christmas centerpieces that are colorful and decorative and a source of pleasure. Little winter scenes, particularly one in which Santa Claus predominates with the reindeers, are a source of interest to children. And carefully made scenes of the birth of our Lord hold interest and charm. A few other types of Christmas decorations are figures for scenes of this type. These are quite inexpensive and can be used year after year, hence are worth the investment.

world—even though there be pigmy figures who seek to wipe it out.

No one can seriously afford to laugh at peace. It is the hope of all mankind. Without its permanence, we crucify afresh that One whose birth we so gladly honor with all the love that we own, and to whose example and inspired service we owe all the beauty and peace of heart that we ever hope to own.

50,000 GIFTS BY ONE WOMAN

A mountain of Christmas presents, 50,000 packages, went out to needy children across the Eastern United States last Christmas—thanks to a woman's desire to "see that every child gets something."

The packages were from the Santa Claus Mail Association and the woman behind the idea is pleasant dark-haired Mrs. Birchall Hammer, of Elkins Park, a Philadelphia, Pa., community.

In 1913 Mrs. Hammer decided to "do something" about providing toys for children who otherwise would face a giftless Christmas. Since then, she said, approximately 600,000 presents have been distributed, including last year's 50,000.

To the Santa Claus Mail Association Mrs. Hammer organized now come cash contributions from hundreds of persons throughout the nation to buy the toys and pay mailing charges, a sizable item itself. "Reminders are sent at the beginning of each year to some who have been regular contributors for many years; other donations come unsolicited," said Mrs. Hammer.

Until four years ago Mrs. Hammer was pretty much the whole association. Now she has five women assistants.

The women receive the contributions, purchase toys, wrap and address the presents and get them in the mails in time. Most of the presents are addressed to an individual boy or girl.

"The names of deserving youngsters come from societies for children, missions, industrial schools and social service departments of hos-

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pitals," Mrs. Hammer explained.

Mrs. Hammer doesn't let the year-around job interfere with her duties as a housewife—she is the mother of five children.

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias are among the most appropriate plants for home decoration at Christmas time and with proper care they may be easily preserved. They are native to the semi-tropics and were discovered in Mexico by an American minister to that country, Joel R. Poinsett, for whom they were named.

The botanical name of Poinsettia is Euphorbia pulcherrima; it belongs to the Spurge family and in its native habitat is a shrub of 10 feet or more in height. Since this plant is of a semi-tropical nature it requires constant warmth and humidity which if supplied will prevent the dropping of the leaves when it is transferred from the humid air of the greenhouse to the dry air of the average home.

The Poinsettia needs sun, a warm moist atmosphere and

plenty of water when blooming. It thrives best in a temperature ranging from 70 to 80 degrees Fahrenheit; it is sensitive to sudden changes in temperature and it must never be placed in a direct draft. If the temperature drops much below 60 degrees at night the leaves will turn yellow and fall prematurely.

The plant should be promptly placed in a sunny window as soon as received.

The Poinsettia, frequently known as the "Christmas Flower," is the only flower introduced by America and used the world over for Christmas decoration.

"LOS PASTORES"

Wherever in this country, the threads of tradition lead thickly back to one homeland, there the Christmas celebration is dominated by European customs although it contains some of the "American" characteristics. So, in San Antonio, Texas, the Spanish-Indian custom of giving the play "Los Pastores" continues, and in Bethlehem, Pa., trumpeters herald Christmas morning from the church towers.

The play of "Los Pastores"

given in San Antonio is rarely viewed by the newcomer. It is given secretly by a group of amateur players and has no time for beginning for the actors must come when they have finished their work. The properties consist of an altar on which the Christ Child rests and a tent in which the devils live at the opposite end of the yard, for the play is often given out of doors. A girl takes the part of an angel and walks up and down reciting. Then come the shepherds dressed in pink coats; then the hermit who represents the good in the world and also the earthly journey of the soul. The hermit is often accompanied by the Archangel Gabriel, a boy dressed in white with large paper wings, a crown of silver and sword. Then follow seven devils who come out of the tent—six in black and the seventh in red. The shepherds vanquish the devils in battle and earn the right to kiss the Christ Child. In the last scene, a wild Indian enters, is subdued, and kisses the Child. Then the audience troops forward to receive candy and gifts.

The One Hope of the World

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

CHRISTMAS DAY is the one day of the year when more joy and happiness should come to people than on any other day of the year. Especially should it be a day of peace and gladness for children, for it is a day that celebrates the birth of a child whose life and teachings, when a grown man, have influenced mankind more than that of any figure in human history.

The story of that birth, and of those who came to pay homage and tribute of love, is one of the most inspiring ever recorded.

The world, then as now, was full of selfishness, greed, and great scrambling for gain. When Mary and Joseph came to the town to get a quiet and peaceful room where their child might be born, there was such a crowd at the inn that they were turned away, and had to resort to a crude shelter for that event—and so the child was born in a manger!

Turn to Thinking of Others

People brought presents to that humble abode, because their hearts were so full of happiness over a human being born to inspire and uplift them out of all their sorrows and disappointments. And so, at Christmas time, the people of the entire world turn to thinking of others, forgetting their troubles and hardships, that they may help to light up the world with splendor and beauty.

Christmas is a time, not of taking, but of giving. Selfishness is crowded out. Not only is it a time for the giving of simple gifts, but of pouring

out kindness, consideration, and good will.

This will be a happy Christmas for a good part of the world, but there will be those who will wonder whether the Prince of Peace still lives. Christmas Day will be a dark day to such.

It was a dark day in the world's history when they nailed to a cross the bleeding form of the One whose birthday Christmas honors. There He hung until the sun had gone down—upon Him and the world. But his spirit arose—and has covered the world ever since. His life was a triumph for faith, and He filled the world with hope.

Light and Hope of the World

"I am the light of the world," He said, and today He still remains as the light and hope of the world. His spirit in men's hearts alone can save civilization from the cruel and wanton ravages of war and selfish greed. His spirit alone can revive and give to the humblest, their just inheritance of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

It is well that Christmas should be dedicated and celebrated largely to bring joy to the lives and the hearts of the child, but to every mother should be brought assurance that her child might never be cheated of its rightful chance in life, by being offered upon the altar of a selfish and cruel war.

Not until the spirit of that life, born in that humble stable, enters, and becomes a part of the life-being of the world, can Christmas be celebrated with complete happiness. Neither that spirit, nor its influence can ever be crushed from this

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A HALF-PINT KID SURE SURPRISED HIS POP

when he got the old man to taste some Post Toasties. "Where you been hiding these swell crispy flakes o' corn?" his pop asked. "Get wise, pop—they're the Southwest's favorite cereal," the youngster told 'im. And your friend Cactus agrees—they're plenty all-fired good eatin' morning, noontime, or night! Yes, siree!

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An Old-Fashioned Christmas

By W. G. VORPE

ALL around us the signs say Christmas is near and very soon there will be little thought given to anything else. Christmas wreaths and bright lights of varied colors adorn store fronts, street corners and other places. Throngs on sidewalks and in stores furnish a practical illustration of the Christmas spirit. Pretty lights will add to the decorations of the holiday season. This outdoor decorative lighting at Christmas time, which has been growing rapidly more popular, is beyond question the most attractive feature of the Yuletide. The festooning of colored lights over the living Christmas trees and shrubbery, the hanging of pretty wreaths over the doorways and the twinkling of silver stars from high points of the homes, churches and schools greatly typifies the birth of the Christ child.

Family Reunions

There will be reunions of families, a get together in the annual home-coming. This is the high light of the holidays, this home gathering of loved ones. I fear that in this modern age, where speed seems more important than home life, we are too prone to forget the joys and benefits of the family life. Nearly all of us recall with pleasure the Christmas days in the old home when we were kids. It didn't make any difference whether the home was humble or of the more aristocratic kind, Christmas Day brought the same sort of gaiety and family observance. It was a day that came after weeks of advance notices and much preparation. For weeks there had been mysterious packages accumulating in the spare room. For days there had been bak-

ing going on—the odor of pumpkin and mince pies, plum pudding, cookies, fruit cake, etc.

The Christmas Tree

Finally on the last day before Christmas the tree was brought home. Then on Christmas Eve the youngsters were shunted off to bed, all too early it seemed. For a while they lay awake, listening to strange sounds. But to young folks sleep comes quickly and soon all were in slumberland. Six o'clock was usually the hour for all to gather around the tree that was to be lighted for the first time. Needless to say all the young people were ready before the appointed hour. And then more waiting while we had breakfast. Mother always insisted that the opening of the gift packages could best be done on a full stomach. But that breakfast broke all records for its brevity. I always had a suspicion that dad and mother were just as anxious to get into the Christmas room as the kids were.

Then came the time all had been looking for. All gathered around the tree, expressed delight at its beauty and grabbed for the packages that bore our names. Everybody had at least one present and the younger ones several. Maybe the gifts didn't mean so much in dollars and cents but they meant a huge sum in love and sacrifice.

Big Christmas Dinner

After a couple of hours of opening packages and examining each other's gifts the children had to gather up the paper wrappings, place their gifts back around the tree, all but the youngest child, who had special dispensation to play with his. And then we all turned in to get ready for the arrival of the

O Little Town of Bethlehem

By PHILLIPS BROOKS

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above the deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in the dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in Thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,
And, gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessing of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him
still,
The dear Christ enters in.

grandparents and perhaps a big brother or sister and maybe an aunt or two who would come laden down with more gifts. Something more to look forward to, and for the young person there was always much joy in anticipation. At last, as the grand finale, would come the big Christmas Day dinner when the table would have to use all its spare parts to increase its size. Even then there would have to be an extra small table to take care of some of the kids—greatest meal of the year to the young people even if they were drafted to help wipe the dishes afterwards. Christmas was a great family gathering then. It still is in many places but there isn't nearly enough of it.

Many seek the ruler's favour: but every man's judgment cometh from the Lord. Prov. 29:26.

There is Santa Claus, Indiana

By LAURA FENNER

BELIEVE it or not, if it hadn't been for Bob Ripley, Santa Claus, Indiana, in all probability would still remain to be discovered. Since 1853 that tiny hamlet in the southern part of the Hoosier State has borne that unusual name, but not until quite recent years has it been getting its name in the papers, with increasing regularity each season as Christmas approaches.

And all because Mr. Ripley a few short years ago brought it from obscurity by announcing to the world at large that there really is a Santa Claus.

It was not at Christmas time that the writer journeyed to the little town with the Kris Kringle name but on a warm day in fall. The Christmas season would be a very inopportune time to seek conversation with the postmaster, and no one wants to go to Santa Claus unless he may talk to that very important personage.

The Postmaster

Postmaster Oscar Phillips was found busily engaged, not postmarking letters, but painting the lobby of his well-known postoffice. The Christmas season, even then, was due to be under way almost any day, and he was getting ready for it. One gets the idea immediately that he takes great pride in the place, judging by appearances. Everything was as neat as the proverbial pin.

But the postmaster very obligingly put aside the paint can and brush, because he knew full well there would be questions to answer. Visitors are like that, he has discovered the past few years.

One of the most interesting facts gleaned was that mail comes to Santa

Claus, Indiana, to be forwarded not just at Christmas time but every day throughout the year, averaging from ten to 100 pieces. In one day last summer 8,000 pieces came in to be sent out again, and later in the fall an even greater quantity came in from England to be sent out again, thither and yon.

Santa Claus Has No Railroad

Santa Claus has one incoming and one outgoing mail each day, but it does not have a railroad. The mail is trucked in from Lincoln City, five miles distance. The Christmas mail begins getting pretty heavy around Thanksgiving and continues to increase steadily for the next 30 days.

Although there is more or less pressure being constantly brought from outside sources that wish to capitalize on the magic name of Santa Claus, the Postoffice Department will tolerate no interference in its affairs. It has been rumored that a wealthy manufacturing concern offered to pay \$100,000 for the exclusive use of the Santa Claus postmark. This bit of gossip, however, did not come from the postmaster.

The Postoffice Department is willing to take care of all mail to be forwarded from Santa Claus IF letters and packages come prepaid, and IF postage is purchased at the little postoffice for its remailing.

So, for 34 years now, there has been a postoffice at Santa Claus, Indiana. Many small villages in the course of time have disappeared from the face of the earth, but this little place somehow held out during all its years of obscurity, and now it has gained a place in the sun.

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Phil. 4:19.

Mistletoe and Holly

By ROY CHAPMAN ANDREWS

One Christmas I was camped in the mountains on the Tibetan frontier. In the back of my tent I set up a small spruce tree and decorated it with candles and bits of cotton and holly. From the ridgepole just over the door hung a bunch of mistletoe which I had found the day before while hunting.

That bunch of mistletoe seemed to make it really Christmas. And I wondered just why.

Mistletoe is a parasite and depends upon birds to spread its seeds. The berries, which are filled with a viscous, semi-transparent pulp, are enjoyed by many fruit-eating birds. Some of the seeds usually adhere to the bird's beak, held there by the sticky pulp—and when the bird wipes its bill against the bark of a tree the seeds are planted.

But why should this little plant be so closely associated with Christmas?

I suppose it is because mistletoe was consecrated to religious purposes by the ancient Celtic nations of Europe and was held in peculiar veneration by the Druids, especially when the parasite was found growing in an oak.

The custom of kissing under the mistletoe has come down to us from these ancient rites.

In olden days it was supposed to be a wonderful remedy for epilepsy and convulsions but its medicinal properties are very doubtful.

There are more than five hundred species in the mistletoe family that are found pretty much all over the world. It grows on many kinds of trees. In Europe it lives particularly on apple and hawthorn trees, and is rarely found on the oak. In eastern and southern America mistletoe prefers hardwood trees.

Holly, the other principal Christmas shrub, also is world-wide. The name is supposed to be derived from its use as a decoration for churches at Christmas, from which it was called the "holly tree."

Like mistletoe, the use of

holly at Christmas time goes back to the Romans and to the old Teutonic practice of decorating the interior of dwellings with evergreens as a refuge for sylvan spirits from the cold and storms of winter.

FOLIAGE PLANTS

While the foliage plants will lack in color appeal, their permanence is well in favor as a Christmas gift. They continue to grow throughout the year, requiring little care and attention.

A gift that is interesting as well as attractive is a colorful pottery bowl filled with foliage plants, varied as to size, shape and leaf texture.

Branching ivy, a comparatively new variety of Hedera helix, is noted for its rapid growth, its need of a minimum amount of light and the denseness with which the vines branch, resulting in a plant far more attractive and graceful than the older, more familiar varieties of English ivy.

Philodendron has proved itself a worthy houseplant, easily withstanding the handicaps relevant to most indoor growing conditions. There are many varieties of philodendron noted in florist shops, some small-leaved, others cut-leaved, and now a new large leaved variety called philodendron erubescens.

A cheerful Christmas plant is the Jerusalem cherry, with rich green foliage and cherry-like balls of scarlet fruit. This plant is temperamental, though, and to keep it from dropping its fruit or leaves it must be kept in a cool, sunny window where no possible smoke or gas fumes will get near it.

A visit to the florist shops will reveal any number of new and worthwhile foliage plants, any one of which would be a welcome addition to the window garden.

But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you. St. Matthew 5:44.

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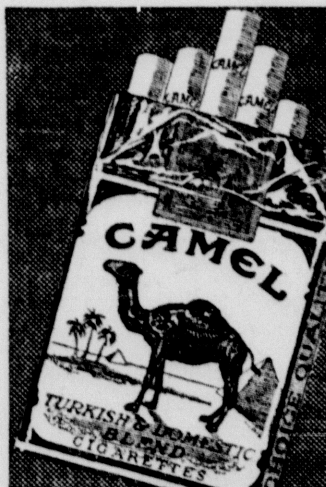
THE frazzling pace of these fast-moving times doesn't mean a thing in the life of the dog. Although his complex, high-keyed nervous system closely resembles our own, when the dog feels his nerves tire he settles down—relaxes—as the beagle hound above is doing. That is instinctive with the dog. We are not so likely to break nerve tension before it gets our nerves upset. Ambition and determination push us on and on...past the warning stage

of nerve strain. Will-power silences the instinct to pause and rest.

And yet jittery, ragged nerves are a distinct handicap. Don't let your nerves get that way. Learn to ease the strain occasionally. Let up—light up a Camel! It's such a pleasant way to rest your nerves—a brief recess, mellow with the pleasure of Camel's mildness and ripe, rich taste. Yes, no wonder smokers say Camel's costlier tobaccos are so soothing to the nerves.

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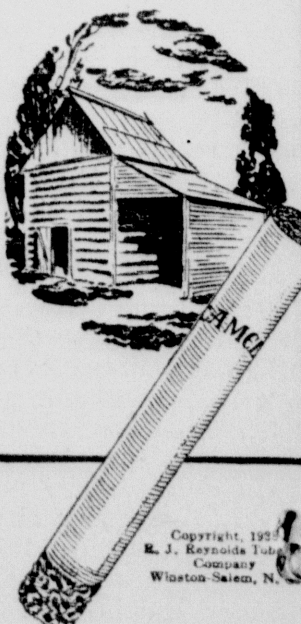
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CHRISTMAS WREATHS

For those ambitious enough to fashion their own wreaths, Julia S. Latimer, writing in "Better Homes and Gardens," offers these suggestions:

"Box wire frames commonly used by florists make the best foundation for wreaths and may be purchased at most flower shops.

"First, fill the frame with damp sphagnum moss, bound in securely with thin green cord. Almost a whole spool of cord may be needed for a medium-size wreath, because it not only holds the moss but also supports sprays of evergreen and other trimmings. Pass the spool around ring, winding cord quite closely and pulling tightly. Sharpen ends of evergreen sprigs and stick them under cord and into moss in position desired. Use hairpins to secure them. Ivy leaves, berries or anything that doesn't have a strong stem must be wired to toothpicks or special florist picks."

Mrs. Latimer also suggests some snow effects. "White branches and cones are made by applying casein (obtainable in paint stores), a white powder, mixed with water. It never loses its whiteness even outdoors. For indoor use you can dip branches in laundry starch. In either case, before the branches dry, sprinkle with artificial snow. It will glitter and adhere indefinitely."

And if in any of your decorative schemes cones are used, be sure to save them. I have one choice, big one taken from a wreath I had the florist make three years ago. This Christmas it comes forth from its careful wrappings as fresh as ever.

Cones are also grand to have in sufficient abundance to throw on the fire on Christmas Eve. All autumn I have gathered them on every walk. When they burn

I love that perfect moment when just before disintegration each section glows with separate flame. In their natural state they make a beautiful fire, but children love to see the colored lights that treated cones send forth.

"House Beautiful" offers three suggestions for dyeing cones. "First open the cones, which is done by heating them on the top of a stove, radiator or register for half an hour. Buy from a manufacturing chemist the color material preferred from this list: Red, strontium nitrate; blue, barium nitrate; green, copper chloride; orange, calcium chloride; bluish, copper sulphate; purple, lithium chloride. These salts retail for 30 cents to 45 cents a pound, except the last which is around \$3."

Origin of Christmas Carols

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gan to associate their merry dancing songs with the most joyous day in the Christian calendar.

Collectors Spoil Their Beauty
Such spontaneous outbursts are responsible for a whole line of carols that have come down to us as traditional. Little is known of their beginnings and only in recent times has it been possible to acquire a collection of them.

A fellow who had spent years of leisure time gathering up these folk songs lamented to me recently that none of the collections to the present time had done justice to the original carols. He said the collectors, usually musicians themselves, tampered extensively with the original scores, spoiling their beauty.

That is the criticism that Vaughan Williams, noted living English composer and hymnologist, levels against the collection of 70 old carols compiled by the mid-Victorian Sir John Stainer. Stainer, according to Williams, adapted the carols he found to the musical modes of his own day—a day when sweet harmonies were in vogue.

Nevertheless, the printed collections tell us something about the ages of some of the carols. The earliest one, about which anything is known, was written by John Barley, a friar of Norwich, in the reign of Richard II. Another carol, "Saul and David," one of the finest songs in the literature, came out of medieval times. The " Coventry Carol" was written in 1591. The "Boar's Head Carol" (1521) is believed to be the first printed carol—it was included in a manuscript now in the Bodleian Library at Oxford University, England.

Puritans Forbade Christmas Carols

It's pleasant to think that the carolers you will hear outside your home Christmas Eve are carrying out an ancient custom of friendliness and good cheer. It was through such singing, indeed, that carols were preserved for centuries. How few of us would think of silencing the joyous voices. Yet unnumbered Yuletide carols were lost forever because singing them was once frowned upon.

Puritan England believed carols, always associated with feasting and gaiety, altogether out of keeping with the spirit of Christmas, and public performance of carols was forbidden.

Imagine carols being chanted in secret! They actually were, and it fell upon underground channels to carry to us many of the tunes and verses that once were so much a part of the lives of singing folk.

The Restoration ended Puritanism, but it did not bring back the carols—neither did the sophisticated eighteenth century. About 100 years ago interest in the old songs was revived. Experts began searches to find the old songs and singing them became, once more, the fashion.

Community Singing Relatively New in United States

In the United States caroling is becoming more popular each year. The National Bureau of Advancement of Music, interested in the subject, has made some surveys. It reports that in 1918 only 39 American cities conducted community carol singing. Ten years later there were 2,025 carol singing cities.

Much of the singing, of course, isn't official enough to be counted in such a Nation-wide review. It's common practice again for young folk to band together spontaneously on Christmas Eve—just as young people did in medieval times and launch a round of serenading. They'll stop to sing a verse, or two, almost anywhere, and a home harboring the sick is almost sure to be visited.

"Silent Night," one of the most popular of our Christmas songs, while not a traditional carol, is as romantic as if it had sprung from some spirited song fest of early times. This beloved song will play an important part in our Christmas observances this year.



Christmas Greetings

Joyful times and a stocking filled to overflowing by good old Santa is the sincere wish of your Aunt Mary for all her boys and girls.

There is more for you children to remember, however, at this particular time of the year than just playing and thoughts of an overflowing stocking. Remember the words of your Great Master, whose birthday we celebrate, and who said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." We should be mindful of these unselfish words.

Many readers of this page are thinking of ways to make some one else happy, rather than of themselves and what other people may do for them. In this connection there is one thing we might all resolve to do now—make a pledge not to confine our kind deeds to the Christmas season only. Let us try to be just as kind, loving and thoughtful to others throughout the year to come. It would surely make mother and dad happy—and your school teacher glad. Making others happy is one sure way to make yourself happy and, eventually, more lasting friends.

There comes to my mind a little poem, written by Faith Hollister in the Christian Science Monitor, that fits well into the Christmas season:

So then I woke
At once I heard a robin—
"Cheer-up," said he,
"Cheer-up, cheer-up."

The scene was bleak
The day was gray,
Not anything seemed cheering.
But here was he,
And come what may
That bird would have his hearing.
"Cheer-up," said he,
"Cheer-up, cheer-up."

He thought the world
Was good to see,
And told it to
The world and me.
"Cheer-up," said he,
"Cheer-up, cheer-up."

That is my Christmas wish for you. It matters not the weather; if the sunshine of good cheer and love for your fellow-being is in your heart the sun will ever shine for you.

May this Christmas be your merriest! I thank you for your loyalty the past year, to our Boys' and Girls' Page, and sincerely hope the coming year will bring more happiness for ALL!

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning with January issue of Boys' and Girls' Page, we will organize a NEW CLUB! I have been making plans and preparations for it. I hope you will tell all your friends to be sure and look forward to the January issue. The bigger the club the more wonderful things we can do—the bigger the prizes—and more fun for everyone. Remember, watch for the JANUARY ISSUE. Read about the NEW CLUB. A BIG SURPRISE!

THE STRANGE CHILD

A Special Story

There once lived a laborer, who earned his daily bread by cutting wood. His wife and two children, a boy and a girl, helped him with his work. The boy's name was Valentine, the girl's Marie. They were obedient and pious, and had grown to be a joy and comfort to their poor parents.

One Christmas Eve the good family gathered about the table to eat their small loaf of bread, while the father read aloud from his Bible. Just as they sat down there came a knock on the window, and a sweet voice called:

"O let me in! I am a little child. I have nothing to eat and no place to sleep. I am so cold and hungry. Please, good people, let me in!"

Valentine and Marie sprang from the table and ran to open the door, saying: "Come in, poor child; we have but very little ourselves, not much more than thou hast, but what we have we will share with thee."

The stranger child entered, sought the open fire and began to warm his cold hands. The children gave him a portion of their bread and continued, "Thou must be very tired; come, lie down in our bed; we will sleep on the bench before the fire."

"May God in heaven reward you for your kindness," replied the stranger child.

They then led the little guest to their small room, tucked him into bed; and as they drew the covers closely about the tiny form thought to themselves, "Oh, how much we have to be thankful for! We have our nice warm room and comfortable bed, while this child has nothing but the sky for a roof and the earth for a couch."

After their parents had gone to bed, Valentine and Marie lay down on the bench before the fire and

Our Boys and Girls

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Santa Claus checks the names of good little boys and girls

said to each other, "The stranger child is happy now because he is so warm. Good-night."

No sooner had they spoken than they were fast asleep. They had not slept many hours when little Marie awoke, and touching her brother lightly, whispered: "Valentine, Valentine, wake up! Wake up! Listen to the beautiful music at the window."

Valentine rubbed his eyes and listened. He heard the most wonderful singing and sweet notes of many harps. The words of the song floated in to them:

"Blessed Child,
Thee we greet
With sound of harp
And singing sweet."

"Sleep in peace,
Child so bright,
We have watched Thee
All the night."

"Blest the home
That holdeth Thee,
Peace and love,
Its guardians be."

The children listened to the beautiful singing which seemed to fill them with unspeakable joy. Then creeping to the window they looked out and saw a rosy light in the East. Before the house in the snow stood a number of little children holding golden harps and flutes in their hands, all dressed in sparkling silver robes.

Full of wonder at the sight, Valentine and Marie continued to gaze out of the window. Suddenly they heard a sound behind them, and turning saw the stranger child standing near.

He was clad in a golden garment, and wore a glistening crown upon his soft hair. Sweetly he spoke to the children, "I am the Christ Child, who wanders about the world seeking to bring joy and good things to loving children. Because you have lodged me this night I will leave you my blessing."

Having said this, he vanished from sight, together with the silver-clad singing children—the angels.

As Valentine and Marie looked on in wonder, the fir bough grew and grew into a lovely Christmas tree, laden with golden apples, silver nuts and bright toys. And every year afterwards, at Christmas time, the tree bore the same wonderful fruit.

(THE END)

So, dear boys and girls, when you gather around your richly decorated trees, think of the two poor children who shared their bread with a stranger child—and be thankful! (Selected from "Stories for Little Children," published by Houghton, Mifflin Co., with permission).

SEWING

If Mother Nature patches
The leaves of trees and vines,
I'm sure she does her darning
With the needles of the pines.

They are so long and slender,
And somewhere in full view,
She has her threads of cobweb,
A tangle full of dew.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S CHRISTMAS

Czechoslovakia has a "Bethlehem," or little manger beneath the Christmas tree to remind all of the lowly birth of Jesus. After the feasting and merrymaking is past, all that remains of the Christmas supper is taken out and shared with the farm animals. Even the bees are not forgotten, as sweets are provided for them.

Choir boys will sing the Christmas hymns in every church throughout the land, in St. Louis, Chicago, New York City, Washington, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Atlanta and on the West Coast, as they did and still do in the great cathedrals and tiny churches of Europe.

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. John 15:7.

HOME BUTCHERING AND MEAT CURING

At a luncheon by the Morton Salt Co., in Chicago, for publishers, editors and representatives of the farm press, W. K. Yates, a well-known authority on butchering and curing of meat, delivered, in part, the following address:

Butchering, curing and the home preparation of meat on the farm is truly an important subject. A large part of what has been said and written about butchering and curing meat on the farm has revolved around what might be termed the surface points instead of digging down and clearly covering the basic or fundamental points. In making a close study of home meat curing on a national basis for a number of years, I am convinced that some of the basic points in connection with butchering and curing meat (which have a lot to do with the quality of the finished product) are not fully understood by many persons.

Quality meat cannot be produced by doing the butchering, bleeding and trimming in just any manner and then burying the meat in ordinary salt for some thirty to sixty days. A proper job of butchering and handling the meat, specialized curing products properly used, make possible a safer, faster cure, and meat with a mild, appetizing, uniform flavor.

A few days before hogs are butchered they should be confined in a small pen, and for the most practical working arrangement this pen should be a permanent one alongside the place of butchering and cleaning. For twenty-four hours before hogs are butchered they should not be fed but should have plenty of fresh water. With a minimum of food in the intestinal tract the job of cleaning is much easier and the chances of contamination much less.

To turn out quality finished meat the job begins with the live hog. In other words, the result of the cure starts before the hogs are butchered. If hogs are overheated or excited just prior to butchering a feverish condition sets up in the meat, which makes it very difficult for that meat to ever take the cure properly, and also makes it much more subject to souring.

Sticking is the best method of butchering. With the hogs in a small pen loop a chain around one hind foot and draw the hog backward through a small sliding gate, then upward by having the chain fastened to a hoist or block and tackle arrangement. With the hog swinging from one hind foot the sticking is easily done, the purpose being to sever the large vein artery immediately in front of the heart. The heart itself should never be stuck or injured but should be left free to more efficiently pump all of the blood from the carcass.

This method of butchering is far better than first stunning with an axe or shooting. In too many instances where hogs are stunned there is considerable movement and excitement, which helps bring about a feverish or over-heated condition in the meat and increases the chances of souring. Also when hogs are stunned and then stuck on the ground, there is so much movement it is difficult to do the right kind of sticking job, which results in shoulder sticks or sticking too far back into the chest cavity, which causes internal bleeding.

When hogs are quietly handled and a good stick and bleed obtained, the next important step is fast efficient work in scalding and scraping. The water temperature should be about 150 degrees in order to make the hair slip easily. A convenient scalding tank and scraping bench almost directly under the block and tackle arrangement makes it easier to lower the carcass into the scalding tank, then hoist it a short way and swing it on the scraping table. This eliminates lifting and handling a heavy carcass by hand.

A quick and thorough chill is another foundation step in turning out quality meat. As soon as the carcass is opened and cleaned the head should be removed and the carcass split down the backbone. This opens it up in a way that aids rapid chilling by allowing free circulation of air.

Expressed in its simplest terms, meat curing is a race between the bacterial action of decomposition and the cure. There are a number of intermediate steps before the cure can be started, and if these are properly done they help reduce bacterial action. Chilling reduces the bacterial action to the minimum and holds it in check until the meat is trimmed and put in cure.

The cure itself is what permanently checks bacterial growth and converts the fresh meat into cured meat. That is why meat curing is referred to as a race between the natural bacterial action of decomposition and the curing salt.

Meat should be chilled to about 34 degrees before it is put in cure. If the weather turns warm when hogs are butchered a good chill can always be obtained by cutting the carcass into a few major pieces and packing in a barrel with large chunks of ice. The ideal curing temperature is between 38 and 40 degrees.

In curing hams, shoulders and large pieces the danger spot, however, is always around the bone, and if the cure is applied only on the outside of the meat it takes time for it to penetrate to the bone area. To do a more scientific job of meat curing, the cure is started

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around the bone to work outward at the same time it is started on the outside to work inward. This makes possible a milder, more uniform cure, and is one of the surest ways to prevent taint or souring.

The practical method of starting the cure from the inside is to mix a specialized cure made for the purpose with water, which has previously been boiled and allowed to cool. This makes what is termed a curing pickle, or more commonly termed a pumping pickle because the pickle is pumped into the pieces with a meat pump. A hand operated meat pump has a barrel for holding the curing pickle, together with a handle and plunger. The curing pickle is then forced into the meat through a hollow needle. The needle has holes at the point as well as along the sides, in order to more evenly distribute the pickle in the bone area. In making a pumping pickle only pure water and a specialized curing salt are used. Naturally, the water should be boiled in order to kill any bacteria or germs, and the water should be allowed to cool in order to get it as near the temperature of the meat as possible.

The amount of cure varies, depending on the kind of meat and the strength or degree of cure desired. Naturally, meat should be cured heavier if it is to be kept over a longer period of time than if it is to be used up soon.

The fine natural flavor of home butchered meat can be preserved by any farmer through the use of a specialized cure, and the control of the cure made possible by pumping the meat in order to cure from the inside out at the same time it is curing from the outside in.

RE-ENACTING CIVIL WAR RACE

Huffing and puffing up the Mississippi river next spring will be two river steamers from New Orleans, in a rerun of the storied race between the Robert E. Lee and the Natchez. To build up interest in this modern, \$10,000 contest, the sponsors are pointing out that one of the boats is 31 years old.

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RED CROSS WARNS AGAINST CHRISTMAS FIRES

Santa Claus was cautioned by the American Red Cross to keep candle flames, cigarettes and other inflammables away from his whiskers.

In a Christmas safety statement, the Red Cross warned householders that they "cannot light their plum pudding and have it, too, if the table is cluttered with inflammable favors and decorations."

Pointing out that more deaths and injuries occur from burns during December than in any other month, largely because of Christmas celebrations, the Red Cross warned parents to mix safety with sentiment during the holiday season.

The following precautions were advised:

"Christmas trees kept in homes more than a week dry out and will catch fire easily.

"Cotton and cellophane are both highly inflammable. When using as tree decorations, take care!

"Insulation which has worn off Christmas tree lighting sets should be replaced, since a short circuit may start a fire.

"Children receiving electric toys should be trained to pull out plugs before leaving the room.

"In the excitement of holiday time, take special care in the kitchen. Keep knives out of reach of children, make sure that hot liquids on the stove are well back from the front edge, and in reaching for things on top shelves use a step-ladder, not a chair or pile of boxes.

"If snow and ice are on the

ground, sprinkle steps and walk with salt or ashes to make walking more safe.

"Keep floors free of small objects that may be swallowed by babies.

"All public holiday gatherings should be held in buildings which have been patrolled for fire hazards. Exits should be kept clear and dangerous overcrowding should not be permitted.

"Welcome Santa," the Red Cross concludes, "but insure against fire at the time by having chimneys and flues cleaned now."

ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS TREE

The origin of the Christmas tree custom is obscure. In a collection of charming legends Dr. Donald Bond, instructor in English at the University of Chicago, quotes authorities who claim its source for France, Scandinavia, Egypt, England and Germany.

Only one legend connects the Christ child with the Christmas tree. The story goes back to the manger at Bethlehem. Trees arrived from all over the world to do homage to the divine Child. These included small fir, which attracted little attention. But suddenly, says the legend, star after star fell upon the fir until it shone with the brilliancy of 1,000 heavenly lights.

Germany is commonly believed to have introduced the decorated Christmas tree, since German emigrants brought the custom to America in 1843.

But whether its origin be pagan or Christian, the Christmas tree custom has developed a business of large proportions. About 111,000,000 electric Christmas tree bulbs are sold in America every year.

WHY?

What means all this running up and down? Why are all the streets and highways thronged with people carrying boxes and bundles? Why do people crowd the stores and spend their money so freely?

And why do those who promote charitable institutions make their appeals for support at this season? Why are so many people thinking about their less fortunate neighbors and planning that all children shall have Christmas dinners and gifts? It is because Jesus has implanted in the hearts of men and women the spirit of the sermon on the mount—words spoken by Him 2,000 years ago—words that abide with and influence us even unto this day.

GILDING IS SUGGESTED

If the usual red and green Christmas colors look daggers at your interior decorations, don't be downcast—try gilding or silvering with radiator paint pine cones, greenery, gourds, and nuts, and make festoons. These can be a part of the design of the room, yet contribute their own bit of seasonal brilliance, too.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. St. Matthew 2:9-11.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS

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MY PRAYER FOR YOU

"MERRY CHRISTMAS!" are two words that hold a wealth of meaning. Some persons say it sincerely with a heart full of tenderness and well being. To you who have been my readers for the past fourteen years I wish to extend not only heartfelt greetings but a grateful "Thank You." Your loyalty, helpful suggestions and ready response has made editing of the Woman's Page a joy and a labor of love.

My prayer for you the coming year:

"May God bless and keep you in peace, in happiness and in health. May He keep you free from petty worries, giving you all that you need and withholding that which would burden you. Above all may He keep you firm in His faith and in the faith of yourself, your fellow man and fellow woman."

SEASONAL HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

The alert housewife may find these hints helpful in preparing for the holidays:

A cluster of pine cones enameled red or blue, silver or gilded, make attractive decorations. Tiny ones colored and strung on bright cord are pretty to drape on the Christmas tree.

A simple decoration is a long strip of tissue paper or transparent wrapping, 3/8-inch wide, crimped with the fingers like accordion pleats.

If you are sending gifts to Eastern friends include several sprigs of mistletoe; it doesn't grow very far North.

Bands one-inch wide cut from colored magazine pages, the ends glued together, are attractive to slip around packages.

A half seal glued in the upper left-hand corner of your stationery gives a festive appearance.

Use red-mesh onion bags to fill with green sweet-scented pine cones and tie with green needles. Onion bags are useful for putting up pecans or other nuts and may be covered with red transparent wrappings for colorful packages.

Use a wreath made on an 8x10-inch base for the center of the Christmas table. Within the wreath place a tall fat red candle and then fill the center with silver Christmas tree balls. This arrangement may be varied by the use of white and red balls or balls to match the china.

For home-made Christmas toys, stiltz are easy to make and enjoyed by children old enough to use them. Paint two tin cans that have been cut with a smooth finish, placing two holes in the sides of the cans near the bottom and running a cord through them. They are turned upside down with the

adhesive tape where it runs through the holes in the can to keep it from wearing out too easily.

After the last bit of painting is finished, do not put paint brushes away with paint on them. Cleanse brushes thoroughly with kerosene, gasoline or turpentine. After removing the last of the paint or varnish, wipe dry with a cloth and then wrap in newspaper.

Where brushes are to be used often keep them in a container with the bristles submerged in liquid to remove paint or varnish.

Bringing in the boar's head, (an old English custom).



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HOLIDAY GOODIES

At no time of the year does the housewife's art of cooking stand a greater test than during the holidays. Every cook, be she good, bad, or just fair, casts about for new dishes to serve her family or her guests.

I have assembled a variety of temptingly different dishes for the Christmas season.

The following dishes are suggested for snacks after out-of-door games such as hunts, ball games, rope-skipping, hay rides, etc.:

Pineapple Cream Cheese Sandwiches

Take two cakes of Philadelphia cream cheese, 1/2 cup crushed pineapple, a little salt, mash all together with fork. Prepare bread same as for open sandwiches (toasted preferred) decorate with maraschino cherries in center.

Rolled Sardine Sandwiches

Drain sardines from oil, remove skin and bones. Add 2 tablespoons butter and mash to a paste. Season with 1/2 tablespoon onion juice, few grains cayenne and 1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley. Add the yolk of 1 hard boiled egg. Moisten with mayonnaise. Remove crust from very thin slices of white bread, spread lightly with mixture and roll at once like jelly roll. Each roll should be 3 inches long; fasten with toothpick to keep in shape. When ready to serve sprinkle with paprika.

Formal Dinner Dainties

The following recipes can be used with assurance that they will be correct at a formal gathering and taste well:

Frozen Cheese Salad

3 cream cheeses 1 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups chopped dates 1 cup whipping cream
3 tablespoons lemon juice

Cream the cheese, add lemon juice and salt. Whip the cream, fold in cheese and dates. Pack in mold and freeze until firm. Serve on lettuce leaves.

Ginger Ale Salad

2 tablespoons gelatine (soak in 2 tablespoons water 5 minutes). Cool this mixture then add:
1/2 cup hot water 1/4 cup diced apples
1 cup ginger ale 2 tablespoons crystallized ginger
1/4 cup lemon juice 4 tablespoons crushed pineapple
2 tablespoons sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt
Pour into mold and chill. Serve on crisp lettuce.

Home Dinner Tempters

The accessories with the holiday meals are just as important as the main dishes, the prudent cook knows full well. Here is an array of such dishes which we know she will find popular.

Persimmon Cocktail

Select very ripe fruit of a bright color and chill perfectly by embedding in cracked ice. When ready to serve cut a slice from the top of each, fit into the outer part of a double fruit cocktail glass

Baked Oranges

Cut desired number of oranges in half. Cut very little off the ends, enough to stand up. Put in cold water over night. Next day steam until soft. Place in pan, put small lump of butter in center—make a syrup of sugar and water, put over oranges, bake until done. Delicious with any kind of fowl.

English Plum Pudding

1 cup chopped suet
1 cup flour
1 cup sugar
1 cup currants
1 cup raisins
1 cup bread crumbs
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon allspice
1 cup chopped apples
2 eggs
Enough milk to mix it. Tie in a cloth and boil 4 hours. Serve with hard sauce.

Red Currant and Raspberry Tapioca

1 1/4 cups prepared red currants 1 cup sugar
1 cup quick-cooking tapioca 2 cups water
1/4 cup red raspberries 1/2 teaspoon salt
Stem and wash fresh currants, add 1/2 cup sugar, cover, and heat slowly until sugar is dissolved and currants burst open; add raspberries and cook. Place water in top of double boiler and bring to a boil over direct heat. Combine tapioca, remaining 1/2 cup sugar, and salt; add gradually to water and bring to a brisk boil, stirring constantly. Place immediately over rapidly boiling water and cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cool—mixture clears and thickens as it cools. When slightly cool, fold in fruit. Chill. Serve in sherbet glasses with plain or whipped cream. Serves 6.

Raised Bran Rolls

3 cups milk, scalded 4 tablespoons sugar
1 cake compressed yeast 1 egg, slightly beaten
1 tablespoon salt 2 cups Whole Bran Shreds
5 cups sifted flour (about) Melted butter,
4 tablespoons melted shortening.
Cool milk to lukewarm; add crumbled yeast cake, salt, sugar, and 2 cups flour, and mix thoroughly with wooden spoon. Add shortening and egg, stirring well. Add bran and remaining flour and beat well; cover and let rise in warm place until doubled in bulk. Cut dough down. Fill greased muffin pans 2/3 full, dipping spoon each time in warm water before dipping into dough. Brush tops with butter, cover, and let rise in warm place until doubled in bulk. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 25 to 30 minutes. Makes about 4 dozen muffins.

Raised Date Nut Muffins

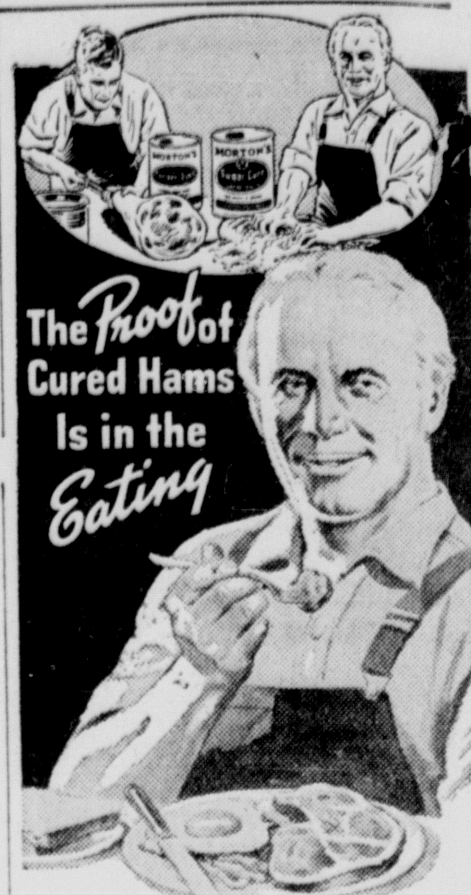
Add 1/4 cup chopped walnuts and 1/4 cup cut dates to 1/3 of dough (above). Follow directions given, sprinkling sugar over buttered tops.

Raised Currant Muffins

Add 1 teaspoon grated orange rind and 1/2 cup currants to 1/3 of dough (above). Follow directions given, brushing melted butter over tops.

Raised Vanity Muffins

Add 1/4 cup chopped walnuts and 1/4 cup sliced citron to 1/3 of dough (above). Follow directions given, sprinkling sugar over buttered tops.
These muffins may be made in about 2 hours.



REMEMBER, it is the cure itself that determines the quality of the finished meat. It costs money to raise good hogs — and whether you get good meat depends on how you cure it.

Here's How to Cure the Finest Quality Meat

First, pump hams and shoulders next to the bone with a curing pickle made with Morton's Tender-Quick mixed with water. Then cure from the outside with Morton's Sugar-Curing Smoke Salt. This improved method of curing is the surest way to eliminate off-flavor or under-cured meat around the bone. You cure from the inside out and from the outside in all at the same time, which results in a uniform cure — a mild cure — yet a thorough cure. This curing method strikes in quicker, starts the cure at the bone, helps prevent bone taint, gives you meat that is worth a premium.

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At a curing cost of only 1 1/4 cents a pound you can pump with Morton's Tender-Quick and cure with Morton's Smoke Salt.

Don't take chances on running out of meat this year. Cure enough to have plenty. Ask your local dealer for Morton's Smoke Salt, Morton's Tender-Quick, Morton's Sugar-Curing Seasoning, and a Morton Meat Pump. Have them on hand when you butcher. Why not use the best and at the same time make the entire job of curing and sausage making easier, quicker, and safer?



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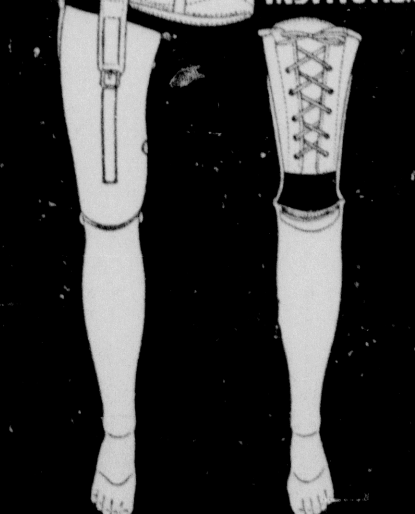
WINDOW SHADE DESIGNS

Stars in blue cut out and rubber-cemented on window shades are pleasing from inside, and when the room lights are on, silhouette gayly their Christmas greeting to all who pass. A big candlestick with sprigs of holly around its base is another design that's appropriate for a window shade decoration. Or on dark shades use white snow-flakes.

Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me. St. Mark 9:37.

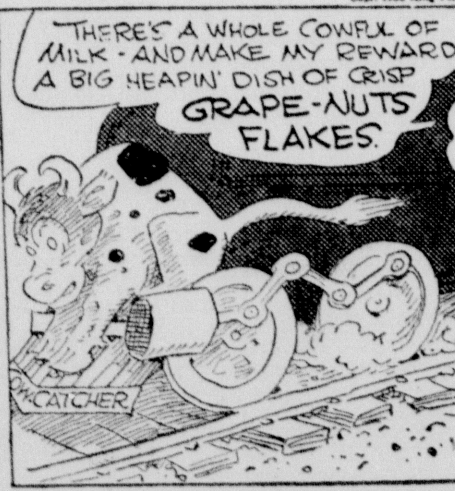
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CHRISTMAS

By J. B. WHITE, Editor and Publisher

If Christmas does nothing more than turn the wistful eyes and hearts of men from mad pursuits today, wherever Destiny finds them, plodding along the Camel Roads where the Wise Men rode that night when the Desert Star pointed the way to the Manger of Humility; on the Prairie or in Ships at Sea; in War's halo-cust that robs them of sanity; in Regions of Silence where the treasure of Eloquence is garnered; in the crowded places where the savagery of industrial conquest blinds them to the store house of Good Will from which we draw Life's greatest riches—it has forever made plain the way out to Romantic, if Portentous Adventure.

If Life be a Journey then Christmas is the Road to Discovery. Its course leads to many stations and the most hopeful is Christmas. The Spirit descends upon us to save us from ourselves.

The arresting simplicity of Christmas when all Men are become as Happy Children with the delight of laughter, through every age in which we have worshipped the Birth of Revelation, is the Miracle by which we recapture Imagination and Belief. It is the flowering anew of Childhood's simple Faith. The radiance of Innocence covers the Earth.



If within us we have nurtured greed and become selfish; if disappointments have made our hearts heavy and too much work and worry have dulled the mentality, or if our ego, prompted by our yearnings, destroys our concern for others, it is but the instant of Time under the light of that Star which is Hope, that leads every man to the Cradle of his better self, so that faith in our kind is re-kindled.

Somewhere in the Heavens to-night a Star is shining brightly, renewing at Christmas, be it allegory or circumstance, the urge to follow as did the Wise Men who came out of strange lands beyond the Jordan. The grandeur of Heavens bursting with Melody fits well into the picture of the Legend, for after all what could express more forceful the Happiness of such Discovery. In the Miracle of Christmas Eve we may envision that wonder too, for the mystery and hopeful beauty of life is encompassed in a Manger and throbs like Music in the innocent eyes of a Baby.



The Fir Tree Prays

Dear God, I am not wise, I'd rather be
For one bright day of shining ecstasy
A Christmas tree.
Than left forever on this quiet hill
With naught but starlight and sun to fulfill
My destiny.

I am not wise, dear God, for I would wear
A thousand tapers lit to make me fair;
And in radiance bear
Rejoicing—one frail harvest of delight,
My robe of tinsel marvelously white,
Bright toys and glittering angels bending me
A Christmas tree.

Lord, God, forgiveness!—Yet I ask to be
This fragile thing of mortal revelry,
For merriment and laughing children's glee
To lose the gracious heritage I know,
The strength of winds, the gentle ways of snow,
Rain scent, and robins, and the stir of dawn,
Aeons of solemn loveliness foregone,
My birthright lost, please God—A Christmas tree
And only death for immortality.

It is a time when all men find it sweet to abjure hearts hardened by the ill Philosophy of false Pageantry. Proud possessors of great wealth whom life has taught the wisdom of the grasping hand are today the gift bearers, bringing the frankincense and myrrh of fealty and laying them at the foot of the Manger. It is a time when men of small import surge up with eager hearts to equal the Mighty of the Earth. The democracy of common Faith operates again. In the faces of Happy Children we see with such re-assurance the beam of Hope, we know that come what may in the New Year when weary months stagnate our journey toward another Christmas, we shall come again remembering to the Cradle.

Human frailty will lay by much in store as it values the material. Life is an obstacle and has dissolutions that are often too grievous to bear. Somewhere in the economy of the Great Philosophy is the Scepter of great Magic, the Lamp of Aladdin, a Christmas, potent as a Benediction. Smart sneer nor the arrogance of intellectual deception, has not been able to rob the World of that Majestic Moment of Star Light in the calm desert. Humanity's consolation is secure in the light of that Star which is Hope. Christmas lives because its message is "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men."



Merry Christmas

CITY IS READY ON WATER PURCHASE

The City of Cameron has informed the Community Public Service Company of Fort Worth that the Council is ready to purchase the water works in Cameron at the figure set by engineers who placed a value in excess of \$171,000.00 on the plant. This action followed the recent election in which the property owners approved an issue of bonds in the sum of \$180,000.00 for the purpose of buying the system.

The Community Public Service Co. will reject the offer and will notify the City of Cameron that its property in the city is not for sale and can not be purchased for the amount involved in the arbitrary value set on the holdings.

If the city wishes to attempt to enforce the franchise clause which gives Cameron an option to take over the water works, it will be necessary to go to court. The city, if it undertakes litigation, will file suit

for a deed to the property and this action according to the utility company, will involve a long series of court battles. The water company has made it plain that they will resist any effort on the part of the City to confiscate its properties at a value not agreeable to the company.

The utility company has been involved in city politics for almost ten years. Three aldermen are to be elected in April and the proposal to buy the water works is expected to weigh heavily in this election. If negotiations are carried on as they have been nurtured in the past the matter may come up again in 1939 and if the city reaches an agreement with the water company on the value of the plant, another bond issue will be necessary. The bonds will bear interest at the rate of four per cent and are to be retired from the proceeds of the plant operation.

Court House Roof Will Not Be Restored

Milam County's historic court house with its medieval architecture will be lost to the citizens of Milam County insofar as its outline is fixed for the future, it became known here this week when the statue of justice was hauled down from the dome.

The roof structure will not be restored to its original architectural design. Instead the court house will have a flat roof made of cement but gable construction similar to a portion of the present roof will be made and on each corner of the building an electric clock will tell the time of day and the same sound system will be used so that the familiar tolling which for almost half a century has filled the town with melody on each recurring hour, will be preserved for the people.

The building will be made much stronger as a result of the new roof and the commissioners' court made known its intention to consider in the future additional stories to be used for jail purposes.

New Grove Tourist Camp Opens Here

The Grove Tourist Park located in a scenic spot on highway 77 north of the city has been opened for business.

These courts were constructed by Jack Owings and are among the most modern to be found anywhere in Central Texas. The cabins are equipped with fine furniture, hot and cold water, and all conveniences.

Mr. Owings is a Cameron pioneer in developing the community. He was the first man to build a drive-in filling station in Cameron marking the end of the old curb service with gasoline pumps. In completing the Grove Tourist Camp, Mr. Owings has contributed much to the development of the community during the year. These camps will be widely advertised for tourist trade and during the coming summer should bring many travelers to Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Marks of Rogers observed their 50th wedding anniversary on Tuesday. They greeted many of their friends who called between the hours of 2 to 6 in the afternoon to wish them many happy returns of the day. Mr. Marks was reared in Milam county.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby, commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant said petition alleging: The statutory

grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this 7th day of December A. D. 1938.

(Seal) PENN WOLF, Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas. 34-4t



Class A Basketball Schedule is Announced

For their first game on the home court, the Yoe High basketball teams, both A and B, will meet the strong Hearne Eagles here on next Tuesday night. The first game is called for 7 and admission is ten cents and fifteen cents. The initial game for the Yoe men was against Hearne there last Friday night when the boys lost a hard fought game. Raymond P. Bennett, who has charge of all basketball and coaches the A squad, has comparatively light and weak material, but decided improvement is expected when the boys have had a little more practice.

The Cameron B squad, coached by R. T. Patterson, Jr., also dropped the first game to Hearne in a game which was anybody's until the closing minutes of the last quarter. Both teams are anxious to avenge the Hearne defeat, so come and support these teams next Tuesday. Coaches Bennett and Patterson work daily with the boys and are giving unreservedly of time and effort to make of the material real ball clubs.

The B squad has no complete schedule as yet, but following is the Class A basketball schedule:

Jan. 13—Rockdale vs. Cameron at Rockdale.
Jan. 17—Cameron vs. Thorndale at Cameron.
Jan. 24—Rockdale vs. Cameron at Cameron.
Jan. 27—Cameron vs. Thorndale at Thorndale.
Jan. 31—Rockdale vs. Thorndale at Rockdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Deer moved into their new home recently completed in the Northeast of Cameron. The home is a five room bungalow with bath and all modern conveniences. While the home is only a week old, they have the yard laid out and many flowers and shrubs planted, that make the home look attractive. Mr. Deer is employed by the Southern Pacific Railroad, and expects to make their home here the rest of their life. Many friends in Cameron wish for them a long life of happiness in their new home.

Red Cross Roll Call Nets \$489.66

The roll call recently conducted for the Red Cross here resulted in a total of \$489.66 in memberships, it was announced here this week by Jeff T. Kemp, chairman for the Milam County Red Cross.

Judge Kemp said although this is an increase over the number of memberships received last year, still the number is not as magnanimous as they should have been. Working on this roll call committee with Judge Kemp were Cliff Worler who served as vice-chairman, Miss Jean Adams and Thomas V. Adams of Buckholts, who is treasurer. Half of the funds secured will be used in Milam county for worthy causes and the remainder will be sent to Red Cross headquarters to be used in the general fund of the Red Cross.

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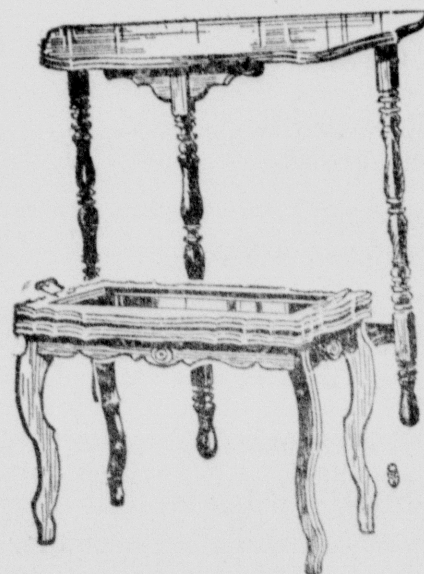
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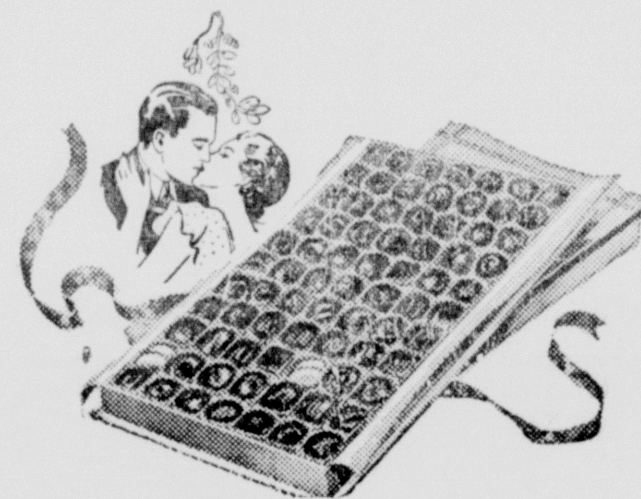
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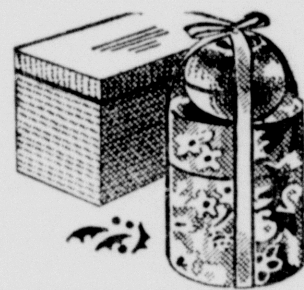
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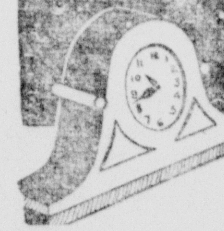
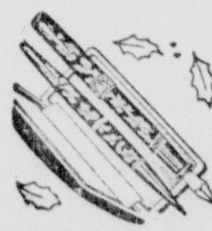
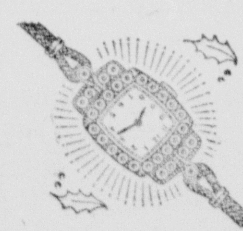


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NEW YEAR on WHEELS

By Helen Morton

"JUST one more mountain range to cross," Mac said to his sister, Josephine, as they got into their car one clear bright morning. They had been traveling forever, it seemed to her. They wanted to reach California and restore Mac to health.

"If we can start the New Year on the coast, everything will be all right," Josephine had told her brother, and she really seemed to have a superstitious feeling that if Mac was to get well, they must accomplish their trip by that time.

"Stiff wind blowing through here," Mac exclaimed, drawing his scarf more closely about his throat as they approached a grade.

"Mountain Springs grade," Josephine told him. "I hope the wind doesn't mean a storm. This is the last day of the old year."

They hadn't climbed far, however, before they knew they were in for it.

Josephine, at the wheel while Mac rested from his morning of driving, had to grip the wheel with fierce intensity. The car was climbing with difficulty. The snow was blurring the windshield.

"We've got to make the coast," Josephine was muttering to herself, when she realized that Mac had



"Here's luck," she said. "A house—the first I've seen in an hour."

wakened from his restless sleep. Abruptly she became animated, alert. "It's lovely and woodsey around here," she exclaimed.

"Awfully narrow road," Mac rejoined. "Are you sure you're on the highway?"

"I'm not sure of anything," Josephine replied. "Do you think we'd better stop and inquire?"

"I sure do," Mac agreed emphatically. "Your gasoline gauge isn't any too encouraging. We don't want to be stalled in this blizzard."

"You're getting tired, too, I know. I didn't count on this storm when I suggested stopping early yesterday. Here's luck," she interrupted herself. "A house right here, the first I've seen in an hour. I'll pop in."

She was back in a few moments, with a uniformed figure in a big slouch hat and high leather boots.

"Mac, I'm miles off the highway. I've been following the trail of Mr. Boseman's car. Oh, this is Mr. Boseman, a border patrolman, and this is my brother, Mac Silver. Mr. Boseman lives in this house here. He wants us to stop with him until the storm is over," Josephine explained, looking troubled.

"See here, Mr. Silver, I have plenty of room, and it will be a job trying to make the nearest town in this storm. In the morning I'll pilot you back to the highway and on to the coast." The young patrolman was very much in earnest. His eyes wandered from Mac to Josephine.

There really was no choice. Nothing ever tasted so good as the beef stew that was simmering on the back of the wood stove.

It was hard sledding next morning, getting through the drifts to the highway. But from then on it was only a matter of a few hours until they were descending the mountain.

It was after a hearty lunch together in a rustic tearoom that Jerry Boseman got up to leave them. "No, not good-by. I don't mean to let this be the end of our acquaintance. It's only the beginning," he insisted, looking at Josephine. "Here's hoping this New Year will mean a lot to you."

"New Year! Sure enough, and I forgot all about it," Josephine exclaimed. "And we are in California for it. Thanks to you, Mr. Boseman. Here's wishing you all the happiness in the world!"

"I know where that is to be found," he said, as he looked into her eyes.

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Santa Claus of the Air

BOSTON.—New England has an aerial Santa Claus in the person of Capt. William H. Wincapaw, who annually flies from West Quoddy Head to New York city, dropping Christmas packages to isolated lighthouse keepers en route. Wincapaw started the service 10 years ago and is now aided by his son, Bill Jr., who handles "target work" over each lighthouse. The captain dives low over the lonely outpost and yells, "Let 'er go!" and young Bill hurls the bundle.

Tyson Tells Rotary About Government

Cameron's credit standing is the best of any city in Texas, declared Dan Tyson, city secretary and treasurer, who delivered an address before the Cameron Rotary Club on Wednesday in which he discussed, for the information of the Rotarians, the city government. Mr. Tyson read extracts from a letter in which a widely known financial firm said that due to Cameron's low bonded debt and taxable values, the city is the most desirable credit risk among all Texas municipalities.

Mr. Tyson was introduced by Don Weir who was toastmaster for the day by appointment of Dr. Clifford Swift, president. Mr. Tyson, an eloquent speaker, prefaced his remarks on the government of the city by commending the Rotarians for their progressive service to Cameron in bringing a Rotary Club to this section. He said it was a rare privilege to be a member of a Rotary Club and expressed his appreciation for the opportunity of talking informally with neighbors and friends.

Discuss Cameron's financial standing, and the operation of the city government, Mr. Tyson took up the tax rate and explained its apportionment to various departments of the government, including the school which he says receives seventy-five cents out of the 2.25 total tax rate, the remainder going for city purposes and the payment of bonded debts. The city of Cameron owes in bonded debts only slightly over \$140,000 and has assets in taxable values in excess of \$3,000,000. "If you had an industry that owed only \$140,000 with assets totaling more than \$3,000,000 you would consider it a valuable business and I think that the citizens of Cameron should be proud that their city has such a high standing in financial circles and its accounts in such fine condition."

Mr. Tyson paid tribute to J. B. White, former Mayor of Cameron, and also at one time a member of the Board of Aldermen, for his service to the city. During his ad-

ministration the city made a number of major improvements including the paving of streets, the construction of the Ada Henderson school, the enactment of sanitary laws, and the construction of the disposal plant and other major improvements.

Mr. Tyson is regarded as the best informed citizen in Cameron on municipal affairs. He enjoys the esteem of the citizenship and because of his knowledge, he was appointed secretary and treasurer several years ago to succeed the late J. C. Joseph. One of the first acts of Mr. Tyson's administration was the preparation of a budget, thus giving the city its first financial program to comply with the statutes and this system has worked out well, so much so that the city has been able to meet all of its obligations and has large balances in its sinking funds in the bank. Mr. Tyson explained the operation of the government, how taxes are levied and collected and how they are distributed, bringing to the business men a much appreciated insight into the operating details of the city government.

In closing his address, Mr. Tyson drew long applause from the audience in a touching expression of thanks and appreciation and wished each one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

On next Wednesday night Rotarians will be host to the Cameron firemen at a banquet in the dining room of Mrs. Cato's Cafe.

W. D. Bigbee Resigns To Accept U. S. Government Position

W. D. Bigbee, engineer for Milam county, announced his resignation on Monday of this week, to be effective at once. Mr. Bigbee has accepted a position with the United States government and will work on the Possum Kingdom Dam which is under way near Mineral Wells.

Deputy Superintendent Inspects Rural Schools

W. E. Driskill of Bryan, Deputy State Superintendent of the 20th District was here last week visiting the schools of rural Milam county. A total of 31 schools were visited and recommendations for improvement were made by Mr. Driskill.

Each school was thoroughly inspected and a list of the necessary equipment needed by each in order to obtain state aid, was listed. To arrive at the figure totaling the amount of teacher aid each school should receive, Mr. Driskill subtracted the total receipts of the school from the recommended expenditures for needed improvements which left the amount of teacher aid the school should receive.

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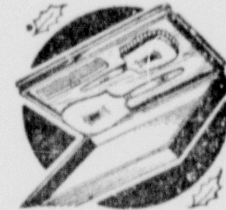
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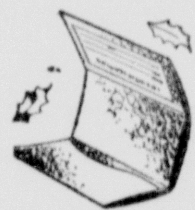
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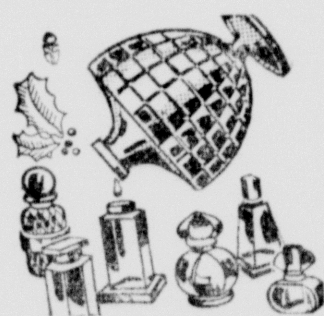


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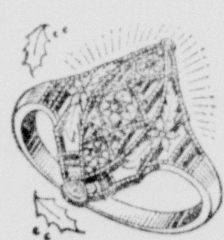
We have arranged a fine selection of enduring and worthwhile gifts. Space forbids listing them separately.

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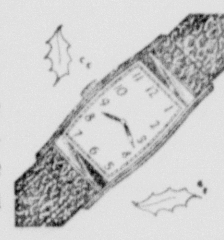
We have just received our Christmas Toilet Goods in gift packages. In Sets and individual pieces. All famous brands.



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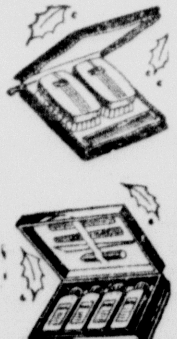
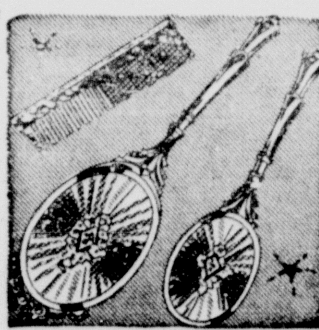


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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM LIBERTY SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you getting along these cold days? At Christmas I want some fire crackers, a bicycle, an air gun, airplane, some fruit, a ball, a tractor, candy, a pair of gloves and most of all a girl as sweet and pretty as my teacher, Miss Sidney.

Yours truly,
Edwin Posival.

Dear Santa Claus:

Send me lots of fire works. Send Miss Sidney lots and lots of happiness. Send us a football, and a ball and bat. Santa, I want you to know that there was never so good a teacher as Miss Sidney and I want you to see that she has a happy Christmas. I am sure she will be happy on Christmas, and when she comes back to school I know she will be. I wish everybody a happy Christmas.

Your friend,
Wendell Kirk.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am a little boy 12 years old. I want a bicycle for Christmas and some nuts, apples and oranges. Please send my little baby sister presents and please send my teacher Miss Sidney presents and nuts.

Your friend,
Troy Gilliland.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy ten years old. I hope you will come to see me. I want a bicycle, some fire crackers, apples, oranges, candy and nuts.

Curtis Miller.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl 10 years old. I have a little brother 4 years old. Be sure and bring her a nice present. Please I want a Betsy Wetsy doll, a rubber ball, a set of tea dishes, a balloon, some nail polish, socks, some candy, some fruit, some sparklers, some fire crackers and some nuts. I wish you a merry Christmas.

Your friend,
Rebecca Miller.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a football, an air gun, nuts, apples, oranges, grapefruit, truck and a car.

Your friend,
Billy White.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl ten years old. I am going to leave some candy or cake out for you Christmas when you come. I want a Chinese checker board, nuts, candy and fruit. If you can please bring me a Betsy Wetsy doll and a pair of house shoes. Please bring Miss Sidney, my teacher a very nice present. I sure will thank you.

I wish you a merry Christmas. Please send mother and daddy a very nice present.

Frances Robinson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy eight years old. I want a wagon, tricycle, air gun, truck, firecrackers and candy.

Your friend,
Cecil Gunnels.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy seven years old. I want a wagon, air gun, ball, Chinese checkers, knife, nuts, candy and fruit.

Your friend,
Melvin Posival.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy seven years old. I want skates, a tractor, candy, fruit, nuts, fire crackers, sparklers and a watch. Please bring Miss Sidney a very nice present. Please bring mother and daddy a present too.

Your friend,
Joe Charles Robinson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a tractor, a car, truck, football, grocery truck, bat and ball, apples, oranges and some nuts.

Bill Hartley.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl. I'm ten years old. I want a doll. I want a pair of socks for Christmas. My teacher is good and pretty. Her name is Miss Sidney.

Your friend,
Genevieve Posival.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want some fire crackers, a pony, bicycle, truck, apples, oranges and some nuts and a football. I go to school at Liberty. I love my teacher this year. Her name is Miss Sidney.

Your friend,
Jimmy Robinson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a 7 year old boy. I have a little brother 4 years old. Be sure to bring him a nice present. I want a bicycle, a wagon, some sparklers, fire crackers, some candy, apples, oranges, nuts, bananas, a little car, a football, a gun and caps, balloon tractor, ball and bat, spade and bucket, a pair of socks and a black board. I wish you a merry Christmas.

Your friend,
Kenneth Miller.

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Quinine Has Saved Many Lives

The quinine tree gets its name from a grateful lady, Countess Chinchon. While her husband was Spanish governor of Peru, she contracted malaria and suffered from it for several years. Then, in 1638, says the Washington Post, she was given tea brewed from cinchona bark. She immediately recovered. Overjoyed, she returned to Spain and publicized this remedy. In the three centuries since she first used it, quinine has saved countless lives, brought relief to millions of malaria sufferers in all tropical countries.

Word 'Bank' From Italy

We get the word "bank" from Italy, where the word "banco" was used to denote a tradesman's counter, and so to a money-changer's bench or table. From this it is believed we also got "bankrupt." When a money-lender was unable to carry on his business his bench was broken up, and he himself was spoken of as a "bancorotta," which came into our language as "bankrupt."

Most Costly Capitol Buildings

The largest and most costly capitol buildings in the United States are: New York, \$25,000,000; Pennsylvania, \$11,033,400; Massachusetts, \$9,575,000; Nebraska, \$9,500,000; Wisconsin, \$7,203,826; Illinois, \$4,500,000; Missouri, \$3,775,000; Texas, \$3,747,666; Iowa, \$3,296,000; Kansas, \$3,200,000; and Minnesota, \$3,770,000.

Plants Grow Over Minerals

Various kinds of plants have been found growing profusely over different kinds of mineral deposits. As examples, says Collier's Weekly, a species of violet is indicative of the presence of calamine, or zinc ore, in Belgium, and beech trees usually grow in profusion over the limestone beds of England.

Lincoln of Central America

Father Jose Simeon Canas (1767-1838) was noted for his efforts to free Central America from Spain and to abolish slavery. His contribution to the liberalization of education and the diffusion of learning has also memorialized his name.

Makeup of Solar System

The solar system is the assemblage of asteroids, comets, meteoric material and planets, with their attendant satellites, which form a family of objects intimately connected with the sun and practically isolated from the other stars.

Devil's Club a Wild Herb

Devil's club is a wild herb growing abundantly along the coasts of British Columbia. Its botanical name is *Fastia Horrida*. The Indians have long used a tonic made by steeping the roots in hot water.

Swastika of the Buddhists

The flyfoot is the sacred swastika of the Buddhists and was used by them some centuries before the Christian era. During the Fourteenth century the Christians considered it a symbol of strength.

Food Devoured by Raccoons

Raccoons are omnivorous creatures and thrive on almost any food. They are particularly fond of fruits, vegetables, eggs, raw or cooked meats, poultry, mice, frogs, crayfish, mussels, melons and corn.

Hi Ho Discusses Fame

"You can never tell how fame is going to be achieved," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown. "Sometimes it comes from doing something great and sometimes from saying something foolish."

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM SHARP SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a Shirley Temple doll, a set of dishes and a doll buggy.

Love,
Anita Nelson.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I want you to bring me an air gun and a bicycle.

D. L. Lewis.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a knife, and a bicycle, some fruit and an air gun and some candy.

Love,
Charles Underwood.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a blue dress with short sleeves and three buttons. I also want a Shirley Temple doll, a pair of gloves, a little iron, and a little bed.

Dorothy Glazer.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring a doll, a cradle, some clothes for my doll, and some fruit and nuts.

Love,
Amaryllis Hatfield.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an air gun, a football, a pair of gloves and some other toys, nuts, fruit and candy. Remember the little sick children too.

Clifton Henson.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of gloves, a little red purse, and a doll cradle. I have tried to be a real good girl and mind my parents and teacher.

Love,
Doris Gamble.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? Will you please bring me a toy tank digger, a train and some nuts and fruit and candy.

Love,
Lester Hanke.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy just 7 years old. This is what I would like for Christmas, a gun and some shells, a rubber ball, a train and a lunch box, some candy, nuts and fruit.

Johnny Royce Yarbrough.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a tricycle a ball and a dump truck. I have tried to be good.

Harvey Simmons.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball, a bat and a train. I sure will thank you.

Loys Hall.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an air gun, a lunch box, a ball and a bat, a truck and some nuts and fruit and candy.

Sincerely,
Alton Hunt.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy. I want a tool chest, a knife, fruit, nuts, and candy.

With love,
Clement Coffey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball and a rifle.

Raymond Fronck.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 7 years old. I go to Sharp school. This is what I want: a cap pistol, some boots and a pair of gloves, and a big pencil box, and some stockings. I am a good boy and take care of all my toys.

Arthur Rinn.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a little red wagon, a pocket knife and a bicycle. My sister wants a doll and doll buggy and some clothes for my doll. Please bring her a little purse to.

Roy Franklin Yarbrough.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll and a ball and a dog and some candy.

With love,
Cecie Nell Fikes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll with golden curls, a big pretty color book and a ball.

Danna Sue Reichert.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a red wagon to bring in wood for my mother, a scoop, a hoe and a rake, some fire crackers, nuts and fruit.

Robert Lee Henson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a bicycle, a wagon and a knife. That is all.

Alvin Zalesky.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll, tooth brush and some tooth paste and a lunch box.

Florence Lively.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a ball and bat, and some fruit.

Leon Tomaschak.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have gun, a bicycle and a ball for Christmas.

Raymond Munoz.

Cora, although used as an individual name, is really a short form of Corinna, of Greek origin, meaning "a maiden." Corinna was a noted Greek lyric poetess who five times scored over the great Pindar in poetry contests. The usual modern form of the name is Corinne, which happens also to be the name of a kind of humming bird.

Hounds Long Favored

There have been hounds in America since the time of the Spaniard, De Soto, when they often were used to hunt Indians instead of game. George Washington helped establish the breed by importing them from England. He was later given several French hounds. Their blood strains, too, helped make the present American foxhound.

Derivation of Word America

The word America is derived from the name of the Italian explorer, Amerigo Vespucci. It was first proposed by Waldseemuller, a teacher of geography in the college of St. Die, in the treatise called "Cosmographie," published in 1507.



Texas Power & Light Company extends to its friends and patrons best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look upon the record of 1938 with its opportunities to render service to the people as the part we played in the common success of our community. As a citizen of Cameron and Milam County, we trust that the New Year will bring us equal opportunity for co-operation.

Texas Power & Light Co.



CHRISTMAS JOY

Sincere Greetings to One and All

The Year 1938 and our many Friends and Patrons combine to make this Christmas one of Happiness for us and we trust that the Season finds each one Happy and enjoying the blessings of Peace.

We thank those who favored us in 1938 and we look forward to serving you again in 1939 with an improved Station service and Texaco Products.

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Service Station



Cameron, Texas

Nursery School Pupils See Santa Claus



This photo was taken in the lobby of the Citizens National Bank by Charles Brady and shows pupils of the Cameron Day Nursery who visited the bank to see Santa Claus and the decorations arranged by Mr. Ox-sheer Smith, president of the bank

who has been entertaining a large number of delegations of school children from all parts of the county. The children in this photograph are cared for at the day nursery and in the main are under privileged children. Mr. Smith was very happy to

receive them and to show them the courtesy not only of viewing the decorations with Santa Claus and his reindeers but to photograph them as well and to provide for publication of the picture in the Cameron Herald.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM PIN OAK SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I know you are in a hurry to find out what good little girl like me is going to want a nice old man like you to bring her so here it is. Please bring me a sleepy eyed doll and a eradle for it. I am hoping you a very happy Christmas. Don't forget mother, daddy, my brothers and other boys and girls for they will be proud to receive presents from you.

Dorothy Simmons.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl, eight years old. I go to school at Pin Oak, and am in the first grade. I like to go to school and I like my teacher fine. I am goin to tell you what I would like to have for Christmas. I want a sleepy doll, a doll buggy, a set of dishes, some candy, nuts and fruit. I also have a little brother, three years old. I would like for you to remember him.

Yours truly,
Joyce Marie Cass.

Dear Santa Claus:

You had better get busy in your toy shop for here comes another little boy that wants some toys. You might manufacture me a little car, ball and a wagon. I have a wagon but it is almost worn out and I would be proud to get another one. Please don't forget my sister, brother, mother, daddy and the other boys and girls as well as me.

Oliver Rogers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me the things that I want. I know that you will bring what I want if I will write and tell you. I know you are a good Santa Claus. I want a watch, bill fold, and a belt. When you come I would like to go riding in your sled with you.

Your little friend,
James Payne.

Dear Santa Claus:

We are two nice little girls. We want you to bring us a big wagon, tea set, cooking set. Santa Claus at Humble is going to bring us a baby doll. We want some candy, nuts and fruit. We are going to be very nice little girls.

Lovingly,

Billy Jean and Shirley Ann Shafer.
P. S. Bring daddy and mother something nice.

Dear Santa Claus:

Are you coming this year to see the children? If you are be sure to come to the poor children and bring them something. I want a ball, a dresser set, a French harp and a manicure set and I will thank you, and don't forget mother and father.

Your friend,
Ida Pearl Cass.

Dear Santa Claus:

This is my first year in school. I want you to be sure and remember my two brothers, my teacher, and my school mates. I want you to bring me a doll and a cradle. My two brothers want a ball each. Please bring me some candy and some nuts.

Doris Wilson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I sure don't want you to forget my mother, dady, and sister at Christmas. I want you to bring me a wagon, a car, and some candy and nuts. You have brought me nice gifts every Christmas, and I am sure proud of them.

Tommy Rogers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy so I am looking forward to your visit Christmas. Please bring me a knife, car, a red air plane, and some candy. I wish you a merry Christmas.

Donald Ray Simmons.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some toys for Christmas. some candy and some fruit. I live in Gause. I am 10 years old. And I go to Pin Oak school. How are you coming this Christmas? Hurry up, I can hardly wait.

Your little friend,
Bernice Rogers.

Dear Santa Claus:

Are you coming this Christmas? I sure hope you do. I have been planning for you to come to see me. I would like for you to bring me a wrist watch, a fountain pen, some fruit, and candy. If you bring me that, I will be glad and thank you for it.

Your friend,
Frances Williams.

Dear Santa Claus:

I don't know if you will be surprised to hear from me or not, but it seems like all the other boys and girls are writing so I thought I would write a few lines. I guess you know what I am writing you about. If you don't I will tell you. Please bring me a BB gun, a bow and arrow and don't forget my brothers and my friends.

Douglas Baxter.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy going to school and am in the second grade. I am the only child in the family so you know I am a good little boy. Santa, please bring me a pop gun, wagon and a dump truck. If it is all the same with you please bring it to the Christmas tree, at my school next Friday night. Don't forget all my loved ones.

Eugene Foster.

Dear Santa Claus:

Are you coming to my house and fill my stocking full of candy? I am seven years old and in the first grade. I wish you would bring me a baby doll that can cry. I want some candy, a string of beads and a pretty set of dishes too.

Your little friend,
Bernice Pounds.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old. I go to Pin Oak school. For Christmas I want a doll a and string of beads. And please don't forget my little brother. He is five.

Mary Sue Williams.

Dear Santa Claus:

Are you coming this Christmas? I would be mikhly disappointed if you missed my house. Will you bring me an air gun, a bicycle and some candy.

Your little friend,
J. C. Pounds.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a rubber doll that cries, sleeps and drinks. Santa, don't forget my little brothers. My baby brother wants a little car and my other brother wants a little truck full of candy and a little gun.

Jewel Rogers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope you don't forget all the little boys and girls this year. I want you to bring me an air gun, a toy train, fruit, and fire works. Don't forget my little baby sister. I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Your little friend,
Bobby Williams.

Dear Santa Claus:

You have come to see me every Christmas and brought me nice gifts every time. I want you to bring me more nice gifts. I am sure glad to get them every time. Santa, this is what I want this Christmas, an air gun, some apples, some oranges and some candy. I am in the fourth grade.

Your friend,
Ray Payne.



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM MARAK SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good boy who is now in the seventh grade. Please send me these things for Christmas: jacket, knife, rifle, fire works, and some candy, fruits and nuts.

Yours truly,
Johnnie Slavik.

Dear Santa Claus:

This good seventh grade boy would like for you to send him the following articles: air rifle, bicycle, knife, fountain pen, and some candy, fruits and nuts.

Your friend,
Gordon Janicek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am very glad that Christmas is coming. I wish you would bring me a doll, dress and a hat. My name is Rosie, I am in the second grade. Thank you.

Your little friend,
Rosie Petru.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy. I am 8 years old and in the second grade. I go to Marak school. I think I am a good boy. So please bring me some chocolate candy, nuts, fruit, fire crackers, and a football. Thank you.

Norbert Mikulec.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you getting along? I am just fine. I am nine years old and am in the third grade. I wish you would bring me some nuts, candy, and fruit, a doll and a puzzle game. Thank you.

Annie Mae Slavik.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some candy, and nuts. I know you are very generous. I am nine years old and am in the third grade. I go to Marak school. I love you very much. Thank you.

Alfred Mikulec.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I am 9 years old. Please bring me a pencil and a dress. I go to school and I am in the second grade. Thank you.

Angeline Jochec.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I am 8 years old. Please bring me a doll, and a dress. I go to school and I am in the second grade. Thank you.

Margaret Tepera.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a very little boy. I am seven years old and am in the first grade. Please bring me a football, a little pistol and some candy. I play ball in school every day. Thank you.

Raymond Janicek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the first grade. I am 7 years old. Please bring me a wagon, an air gun and a blue hat. Thank you.

Willia Kopriva.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 9 years old. Please bring me an air gun and BB's, 15 boxes, and some candy and nuts. I live in Marak. I go to a Catholic school. Thank you.

Adolph Marak.

Dear Santa Claus:

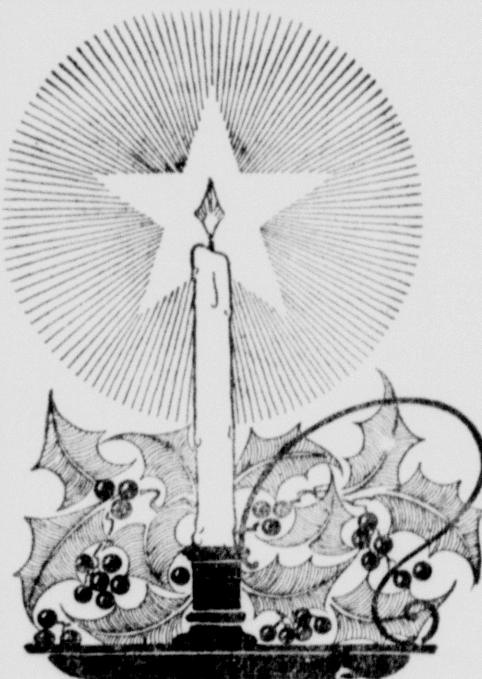
I am a little girl. I am seven years old and I am in the first grade. Please bring me a doll, purse and some candy.

Jo Ann Bartek.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am trying to be a good boy. Please bring me an air gun, 2 boxes of BB's, some fruit, nuts and a little bicycle, and candy. I am eight years old and am in the second grade. I like to go to school. Thank you.

Johnnie Gurecky.



Greetings of The Season

In appreciation of the large number of policy holders in this territory, we welcome the opportunity to extend the Season's Greetings, and express the wish that you may enjoy

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

This organization is proud of the record that we have made in the Insurance Field and we are mindful of the fact that the success we have enjoyed has been made possible by your good will and your co-operation. We want you to know that your patronage has been appreciated and that we value your friendship.

Resolve now to keep yourself and your family adequately protected with life insurance beginning with the New Year 1939. Inquire of our representatives, or write direct to our home office in Temple for particulars.

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"Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year"

has come down through the ages as an expression to embody Good Will and a feeling of happiness at Christmas time.

We can think of no pleasure greater than the privilege to thank so many true and loyal Friends and Patrons who made my business succeed in 1938.

At Christmas Time I trust You and Yours may enjoy the Blessings of Good Health and Peace and in the New Year may everything good be your portion.

KUNZ PLANING MILL

AUGUST G. KUNZ, Proprietor.

Cameron, Texas.

The 'Casket Girls'

In the colony of New Orleans in the early days many of the better class of settlers, missing their home life, desired to return to France. It thus became imperative that if the settlement was to survive, the men must have good wives to make homes for them. When Bienville left the colony in 1724, he promised to send a number of women as soon as possible. In 1727 the "Casket Girls," so called because of their good character, arrived and were placed under the care of the Ursuline nuns, whose convent had been established in the same year. They were first domiciled in Bienville's former home, but in 1730 their own house on Chartres and Ursuline streets was completed.

Death Penalty for Counterfeiting

The penalty for counterfeiting under the first Coinage act was death. This also was the penalty for any one employed by the Mint who altered the coinage with fraudulent intent. However, the death sentence has never been imposed on a Mint employee. The Mint service has a long and enviable record. The law pertaining to counterfeiting or altering coins was amended and the penalties were made less severe.

Effect of War on Elections

There is no provision in the Constitution for continuing a President's term because of a war raging. The Civil war was not over in November, 1864, when Abraham Lincoln was elected for a second term. During the World war no presidential election was required, but the 1918 congressional elections took place as usual before the war ended.

Must Protect With Dikes

The Netherlands, about 40 per cent of whose land is below the level of the sea, is the only country that, for centuries, has been forced to protect itself with dikes from inundation. Since Roman days, says Collier's Weekly, the total length of the construction and reconstruction of these sea walls has approximated 200,000 miles.

First Great American Painters

The first group of American painters consisted of Copley (1737-1815), West (1730-1820), Trumbull (1757-1843), and Stuart (1755-1828). All were at first self-taught and later studied in England. West became one of the founders of the Royal academy and subsequently its second president.

Llama Willingly Carries Loads

The camel-like llama, chief beast of burden of South American countries, is believed to be the only work animal in the world that willingly carries heavy loads on its back, says Collier's Weekly, yet absolutely refused to move if hitched to any kind of vehicle.

Height of Trees in Ten Years

The following trees may be expected to attain to the following heights in 10 years: Sugar maple 20 feet, American elm 20 feet, Oriental plane 20 feet, Norway spruce 12 to 15 feet, hemlock 10 feet.

Names Used for Corn

Corn is used in different senses in various countries. In America it means maize, in China rice, in Scotland oats, in Norway barley, in South Germany wheat, and in North Germany rye.

Potatoes Blamed for War

Potatoes are partly blamed for the Great war on the grounds that the introduction of the potato into northern Europe made a great increase in population possible.

Meaning of Credit Money

The term credit money covers the forms of money that are in the nature of promissory notes. United States notes and federal reserve notes are examples.

Early Musical Instruments

Harp, horns and trumpets made music in old Mesopotamian cities, but the violin type of instrument was devised in India later.

First Deer Had No Antlers

Records prove that the first known species of deer was very small and without antlers, dating back to the lower Miocene period.

World's Fattest Man

Daniel Lamber, who died in 1809 at the age of 40, weighed 739 pounds and is reputed to be the fattest man that ever lived.

Catbird Long Traveler

The catbird does a lot of traveling to reach its wintering place, going as far south as the Bahamas and Panama.

Three Streams Form Danube

The Danube river is formed by the junction of three smaller streams in the Black forest of Central Europe.

Many Varieties of Snails

Some authorities estimate there are 100,000 varieties of snails; all agree there are at least 50,000 kinds.

Albion, Name for England

Albion was the earliest name given to England by the Greeks and Romans.

Five Slices of Bread

The average adult American eats more than five slices of bread each day.

Schubert Young Composer

Schubert composed songs and violin pieces when he was 11.

Wins Scholarship

HARRY HUGHES

Harry Hughes, half back of the Yoemen team of 1938 won the athletic scholarship given by the Cameron Theatre, it was disclosed here Tuesday when final tabulation was made on the votes.

Hughes is a senior and will graduate in June 1939 and after finishing high school in Cameron, he plans to attend Southern Methodist University in Dallas. The award was made on the basis of a popular vote, theatre patrons being permitted to cast votes for each ticket sold and Hughes was voted the most popular and outstanding football player on the Cameron squad for 1938.

Announcement of the award was made at a banquet held on Tuesday night for the football squad at which time eighteen sweaters were awarded. Billy Patterson, great half back on the Baylor team, made the principal address. Cash gifts were made to Coach L. C. Wood and his assistants.

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2500 Bags to be Given Children Under 12 at Community Xmas Tree Thursday Nite, Dec. 22

Milam county will again this year have a community Christmas tree. The tree is made possible by the City of Cameron, its clubs and civic organizations, and will represent an expenditure of over \$150.

The Christmas program will be presented on the court house lawn where the tree, with its beautiful and artistic decorations is already being arranged. The program will begin promptly at 7:00 o'clock on Thursday night, December 22, and Santa Claus will be on hand to play his part in the entertainment and to present every child under twelve years of age with a bag of candy, fruit and nuts.

The program will feature Christmas carols led by F. E. Woodruff in which the children will join and a short talk by Judge Graham Gillis. Emory B. Camp will be in charge of the program which will be short and will precede the distribution of the gifts.

The home economics department of Yoe High School will assist in preparing the 2500 bags to be given away, and the American Legion will distribute them to the children as they line up in long rows at the con-

clusion of the program.

A loud speaker, furnished through the courtesy of F. G. Blake of the Coca Cola Bottling Company, will be used to present the program advantageously to the crowd. The committee on arrangements includes Emory Camp, president, L. F. Gohmert, Leland Green, F. E. Woodruff, E. A. Perrin, B. F. Reichert and Guy T. Newton, and they report that every organization in the city which they contacted, contributed funds to make this community Christmas tree possible.

Children in Milam county under the age of twelve years are especially invited to be present to receive their bag of candy, fruit and nuts.

The Twelve Caesars

The twelve Caesars were Julius Caesar and the eleven emperors following him, most of whom were from his family. Nerva was chosen by the senate, and was the first to select a successor without regard to family. Following are the names and dates of the reigns of the twelve: Julius Caesar, 44 B. C.; Augustus, 31 B. C. to 14 A. D.; Tiberius, 14-37; Caligula, 37-41; Claudius, 41-54; Nero, 54-68; Galba, 68-69; Otho, 69; Vitellius, 69; Vespasian, 69-79; Titus, 79-81; Domitian, 81-96. The title Caesar was given to all of the Roman emperors, until the time of Hadrian, after whom Caesar was the title of the heir of the throne, and the title of the emperor was Augustus.

WARNING!**Do Not Shoot Fireworks in City Limits!**

This is to give notice that the ordinance prohibiting shooting of fire works in the Fire Limits will be rigidly enforced.

I ask your co-operation in carrying out the instructions of the City Council and to protect the city against fire hazards.

Shooting of fire works, especially in the business district, is both a hazard and an annoyance to shoppers and you are respectfully requested to refrain from this practice.

Respectfully,
GENE SMITH,

City Marshal.

A special message

for you who plan to extend
out-of-town Christmas
Greetings by telephone...

The Telephone Company feels that many persons, who have been in the habit of calling out-of-town relatives and friends on Christmas Eve, would really prefer to extend their Christmas greetings on Christmas Day. For this reason, we are glad to call your attention to the fact that, again this year, the low night and Sunday Long Distance rates will be in effect all day Christmas.*

To take care of the increased volume of calls, our switchboards will be "manned" to capacity. Even so, there will likely be periods—especially on Christmas Eve—when it will be impossible to put through calls to a few distant cities with normal speed. If you should be one of those inconvenienced by delay, we ask your indulgence in advance.

Thank you—and a very Merry Christmas.

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*The low night rates will also be in effect all day Monday, Dec. 26; New Year's Day; and Monday, January 2.

MILAM FARMERS VOTE FOR CONTROL

Milam county's farm income was headed for another low level in 1939 as a result of a overwhelming vote throughout the cotton states on last Saturday in which the farmers approved the government program for control of marketing quotas.

The vote in Milam county was decisive although considerable headway was made in opposition to government control of farms when 339 farmers voted against the government program. The vote was more than a thousand short of the total cast in March 1938. The total vote cast for the government program on last Saturday was 1509, thus giving a majority of almost five to one. The percentage of approval is approximately 82 per cent while in 1938 the percentage of approval was 90 per cent. In the election held in 1938 a total of 3219 votes were cast,

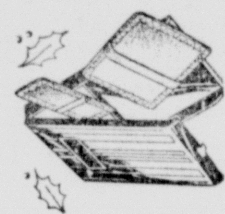
2894 voting for the acreage control by law and 325 against.

Over the entire cotton growing states the percentage of approval was approximately the same ration as given in Milam county and AAA officials were rejoicing in Washington over the apparent subjugation of independence of the American farms. The total farm income for Milam county for 1939 will be approximately the same as 1938 with government benefits mounting to less than \$400,000.



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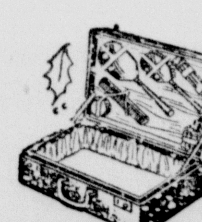
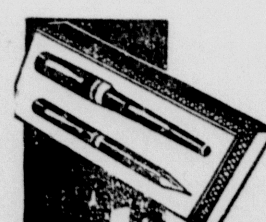
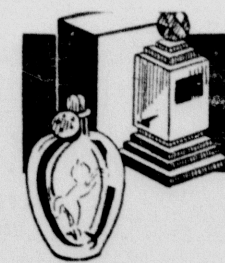
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The Story That Never Grows Old

By A. J. McCARY

Pastor First Methodist Church, Cameron, Texas

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And what a pilgrimage is this! Once a year millions throughout the earth gather around heartstones and sacred altars to listen again to the haunting and heartening story of that pilgrimage of the shepherds. The world grows old but not this story. . . No longer do we need a choir of the heavenly host to call us to this annual pilgrimage. We feel its call of good cheer weeks and weeks before. Gleaming shop windows and glowing child faces reflect rather than create this spirit, so universal and so irresistible. Its source is deeper and diviner.

It is true that many in the jostling crowds of weary shoppers and in the merry groups of carefree youth are unmindful of the origin and meaning of this pilgrimage; but it was so of old. If we walk in the shepherds' footsteps we, too, find the markets jammed with traders and the Inn teeming with revelers, heedless of the destiny of the hour. Christmas came to Bethlehem and they knew it not. He had come who was to lift the name of that little village to a pinnacle of fame, but they knew it not. Like many of today, they were not heartless, but heedless. How often we go our wonted way, with spirits stunted and starved because we choose to be mere tradesmen and revelers when we might be pilgrims in quest of Him whose coming changed the world. I recently read the Inn-Keeper's story, as told by one with an artist's pen and a poet's heart. The Inn-Keeper said he "regretted the incident." He would gladly have made room in the Inn for such a distinguished guest if he had only known. "How should I know that there were angel voices in the sky? The noise and confusion of the Inn filled my ears." And herein is the tragedy. The Inn-Keeper's tribe is greatly increased. Christmas is their busiest or merriest season. How should they be ex-

pected to hear angel voices or music? What a man sees depends largely on what he is. But what a pilgrimage that was for the common man! Only kings and conquerors counted until then. That wonderful night the world turned a corner and the common man came unto his own. A new day dawned under new ideals that were to put an end to human slavery, to establish a world democracy according to the Golden Rule, and to shame inter-racial and international wars off the globe. The bordered robes of priests, the braid and brass of conquerors, the tinsel and pomp of kings, have all become cheap in the presence of a common man or woman or youth of honesty and intelligence because at Bethlehem dawned a new era of new values.

What a pilgrimage is that which finds its goal and glory in the home! A child, a mother, a father and a Christmas! Still it is so. Not one of that holy trinity missing, and the child in the center! Children of every land lift their voices in joyous shouts and sacred songs. Christmas is childhood's birthday and the beginning of woman's freedom. Christmas bells ring out a dark and dreadful day for them and ring in a new day of new values and new visions for every woman and child in the world. School houses are now built and rebuilt with the child at the center. Churches more and more

recognize that "of such is the Kingdom of heaven." Cities are laying out parks and play grounds fostering boy and girl scouts, founding hospitals and clinics, juvenile courts and summer camps—all because the children of the world had a new birth of freedom and a new appraisal of value when the Christ-Child came to Bethlehem. What a pilgrimage is that from which travelers return "glorifying and praising God for all the things they have heard and seen!"

The world refuses to tire of Christmas because in spite of the fever and furor, it pays big dividends of the spirit. It often leaves us with empty purses but with the ringing, singing shouts of happy children; the joyful tears of loving parents; the smile-wreathed faces of old folks grown young in a day; the bewildered joy of the poor and afflicted who were not forgotten. What an after-glow Christmas leaves in hearts made better for its coming!

And best of all, these songs and smiles and hearts aglow at Christmas time are not mere sunshine and shadows without substance or meaning. We are not coaxing ourselves into being happy for a season with no reason, save custom or tradition. Men and nations have had a perennial

Church of Christ Plans Lecture Week

The Church of Christ of this city is making plans for a week's lecture ship to be held here in January. The exact date and program will be announced later. This will be the first program of this nature ever sponsored by the Church of Christ here. The local minister, Manuel B. Hartley, states that he has secured the consent of a number of preachers to be presented on this program.

Those who will take part on this program are Robert Le Croix of Coalgate, J. Willard Morrow of Hillsboro, Hulen L. Jackson of San Saba, Flavil Yeakley of San Antonio, R. B. Sweet of College Station, F. B. Shepherd of Bryan, Edgar Furer of Goldthwaite, Alton Martin of Temple, R. J. Smith of Temple, Bill McCowin of Kennedy, Ira B. McFadin of Taylor and J. D. Boun of Temple.

Other announcements will be made regarding the completion of this program. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these lectures.

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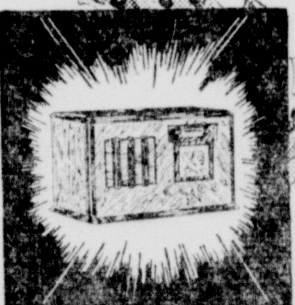
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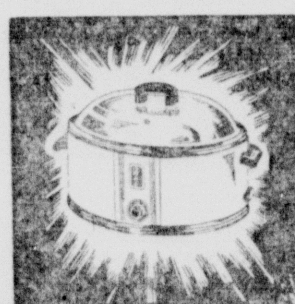


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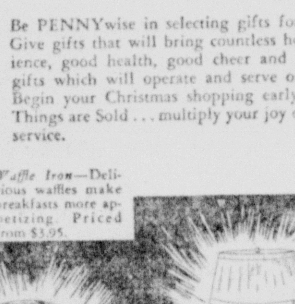


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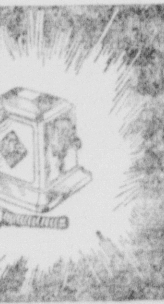
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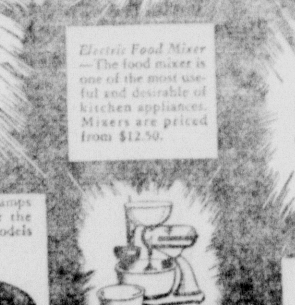
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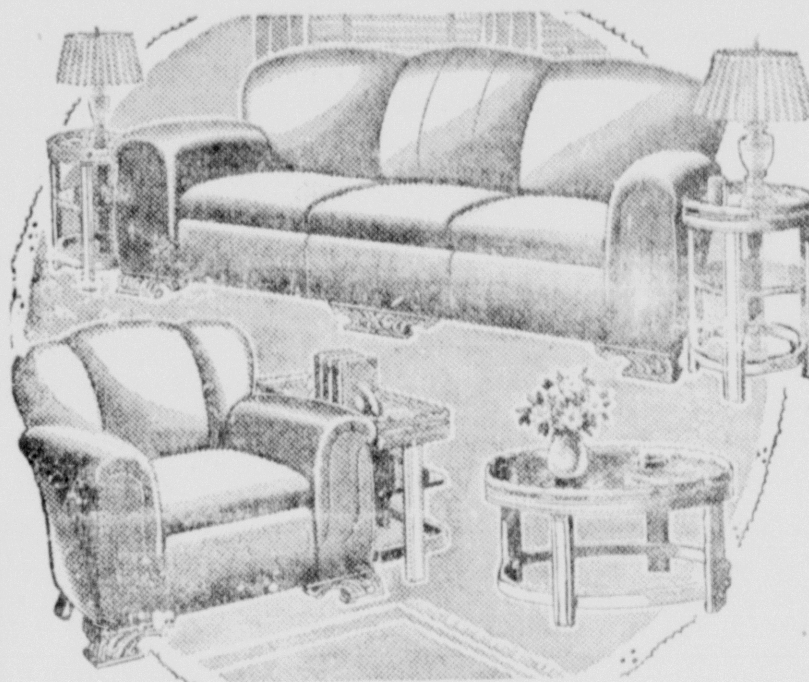
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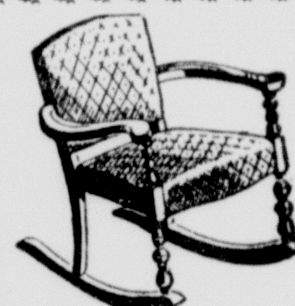
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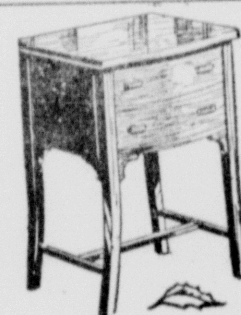
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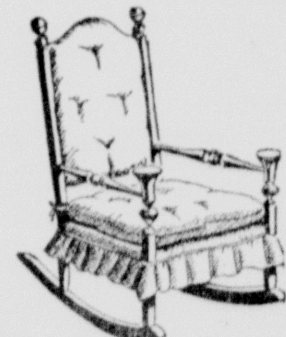
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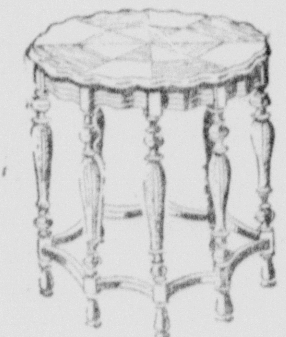
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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM ADA HENDERSON SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 7 years old and in the first grade. I want you to bring me a desk, doctor set, doll, rocking chair, sewing machine, a doll table and chair, a piano, oranges, apples, nuts and candy. Please don't forget mother, daddy and little brother.

Your little friend,
Grace Leonard.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old and I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a doll, and a color book. Please don't forget my little brother, Alvin Wayne and my little cousin, Shirley.

Ida Joyce Baggerley.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a doll with pig-tails? I wear my hair that way sometimes. If you have some Snow White dishes I would like some of those. I am a real good little girl will you bring me a tricycle? I hope you have enough toys for all the children. My brother, Ed drew your picture and it is so sweet and jolly just like you look. Santa Claus, he gave it to me and I colored it and carried it up to school and Miss Katherine pinned it up on the board. I wish you could see it. I love you, Santa.

Eula Jane Flinn.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl, I am 7 years old and am going to school. Miss Kathryn Flynn is my teacher and please do not forget her. I want you to bring me a big doll and some clothes for her, also bring me a sidewalk bicycle, and some nuts and fruits. And please don't forget the poor children and mother and daddy.

Your little friend,
Martha Lee Werner.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am a little boy 7 years old. I am in the first grade. I would like to have a microscopic set for Christmas. Remember all the boys and girls too. Good bye Santa.

Gary Enochs.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a sleepy doll and a doll buggy and please bring me some doll clothes and Santa, bring my daddy and sister and brother something nice too. Please bring us some apples and candy. I will thank you.

Yours,
Betty Jean Nicholson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl and I am glad it is almost time for you to come to see us. I want you to bring me a nurses' set, a doll, a stove, fruits, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other children.

Doretha Gibbs.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old. I am in the first grade. I want a steam shovel, a molding set, Lincoln log blocks, and a doctor case. Also some candy, nuts and fruit. I have been a good boy.

Raymond McLeod, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

I've been a good little boy. I saw you at the Temple parade. Will you please bring me, a set of air planes, a dump truck, a punching bag and a motor boat.

Lots of love,
Billy Weir.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 6 years old. And I want you to bring me a scooter, a little teddy bear, a toy kitchen cabinet and please don't forget my little sister, Jeanacyle.

With love,
Patsy Ann Clifton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a doll with hair, a sewing machine, and a watch I want some pretty cloth to make my dolly some dresses.

With love,
Mary Ruth Arnold.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me an electric train, with tracks, signal towers and a depot. I would like a steam shovel and some more soldiers for my army, too. Thank you Santa, for you have always been nice to me.

Your friend,
John David Moseley.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Milam County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. M. Holt, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 20th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Milam County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Milam County, to be holden at the court house thereof in Cameron, on the 2nd day of January 1939, the same being the 1st Monday in January 1939, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 7th day of December, 1938, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 11,689, wherein Mary Holt is plaintiff and J. M. Holt, defendant said petition alleging: The statutory grounds of cruel treatment.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Penn Wolf, Clerk of the District Court of Milam County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Cameron, this 7th day of December A. D. 1938.

(Seal) PENN WOLF,
Clerk of the District Court, Milam County, Texas. 34-4t

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM MAYSFIELD SCHOOL

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eight years old and I am in the third grade. Santa, I want you to bring me a little dump truck, please, and a little red wagon, a pair of boots, some candy, nuts, fruit and fire works. I would like a bicycle, too. Thank you for these things.

Your little friend,
W. M. Phipps.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pretty doll that looks like a real baby, a basket ball and two goals, also fire works, candy, nuts and fruit. Please be good to all the little children.

Dorothy Mae Floyd.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl eleven years old. I am in the fifth grade. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas, a basket ball, volley ball, and a memory book. Bring my brothers and sisters something too. Do not forget the other little children; bring them something too.

Your little friend,
Fanny Mae Beale.

Dear Santa Claus:

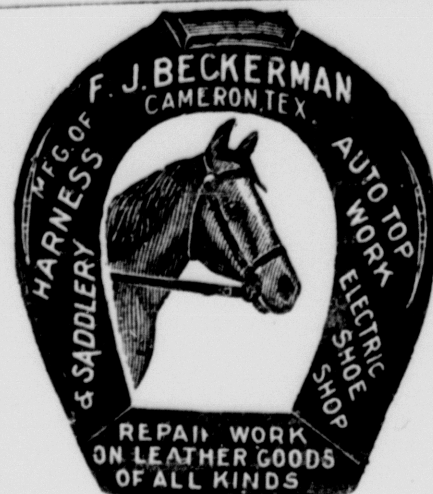
Will you please bring me a ball bat, a little red wagon, some fire crackers, candy, fruit, a gun, two boxes of air gun shells, and I want a football to take to school because the one at school is worn out. My little sister wants a doll and a buggy and a set of little dishes.

Your friend,
W. C. Phipps.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, or a watch and some candy.

With love,
Wallace Massengale.



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Cameron, Texas.



GREETINGS of The SEASON

Gratitude for your many favors expressed in terms of Patronage and Good Will prompts this Greeting to You and Yours.

I hope this message finds you Happy and enjoying the blessings of Christmas and in the New Year we trust each one inherits in large measure the Health, Happiness and Prosperity I know they so well deserve.

We want to serve you again in 1939.



GEO. H. McGEHEE

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